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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE WELCOME
7 YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS APRIL 23RD OF 2013, SERGEANT OF ARMS IS IN PLACE,
9 CARLOS HERRADA. OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SACHI HAMAI. OUR COUNTY
10 COUNSEL, JOHN KRATTLI, OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILLIAM T
11 FUJIOKA. WE DO HAVE A QUORUM. WE ARE PREPARED TO PROCEED WITH
12 THE INVOCATION, WHICH WILL BE OFFERED BY ELY FOURNIER, YOUTH
13 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER, AT THE INVITATION OF SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
14 OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. OUR PLEDGE VETERAN IS DR. THUMPER
15 BLOOMQUIST, MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, AT THE INVITATION
16 OF SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY OF THE THIRD DISTRICT. WOULD YOU
17 PLEASE RISE FOR THE MORNING'S INVOCATION?

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19 **ELY FOURNIER:** GOOD MORNING, AS A YOUNG BOY, MY MOM USED TO
20 TELL ME A STORY ABOUT LEADERSHIP. SHE USED TO SAY THAT THERE
21 WAS THIS YOUNG BOY IN HER LITTLE TOWN THAT WANTED TO BE A
22 GREAT WARRIOR. AND SO HE WANTED TO BE REMEMBERED. AND SO HE
23 WANTED TO CHANGE HIS NAME BECAUSE HE THOUGHT THAT WAS THE WAY
24 TO BE REMEMBERED. HE WANTED TO BUILD A GREAT HOME BECAUSE HE
25 THOUGHT THAT WAS THE WAY TO BE REMEMBERED. HE WANTED TO WEAR



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1 NICE CLOTHES BECAUSE HE THOUGHT THAT'S HOW HE WOULD BE
2 REMEMBERED. AND FINALLY AN OLD MAN, WISE MAN, APPROACHED THIS
3 YOUNG WARRIOR AND SAID IF YOU WANT TO BE REMEMBERED AND IF YOU
4 WANT TO BE A GREAT LEADER, DON'T WORRY ABOUT JUST DOING THINGS
5 FOR YOURSELF BUT DO THINGS FOR OTHERS. AND THAT'S A GREAT
6 FOUNDATION OF LEADERSHIP. SO THIS MORNING, HERE, WITH THESE
7 GREAT SUPERVISORS, LET'S PRAY THAT THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO
8 GUIDE AND CONTINUE TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICES AND BE GREAT
9 LEADERS AS THEY ARE. MOST GRACIOUS AND ETERNAL GOD, WE GATHER
10 TODAY AS A GRATEFUL PEOPLE WHO ENJOY THE MANY BLESSINGS YOU
11 HAVE BESTOWED ON THIS NATION. WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR VISION,
12 WHICH INSPIRED THE FOUNDERS OF OUR NATION TO CREATE THIS
13 DEMOCRATIC EXPERIMENT, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
14 LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. AND WITH THAT FREEDOM, WE PRAY
15 THAT YOU WOULD JUST BLESS AND CONTINUE TO COVER OUR NATION,
16 CONTINUE TO COVER OUR STATE, OUR CITIES, OUR LEADERS. THANK
17 YOU, GOD, AMEN.

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19 **DR. THUMPER BLOOMQUIST:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR
20 HEART AND JOIN ME IN GIVING PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
21 OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
22 RECITED.]

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
3 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO THANK AND TO PRESENT
4 A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO ELY FOURNIER OF I HEART
5 WILMINGTON AND REGION L.A. MINISTRIES. ELY HAS WORKED WITH OUR
6 SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING TO CREATE TWO OUTSTANDING
7 PROGRAMS IN THE HARBOR AREA. HE IS THE CO-CREATOR OF THE URBAN
8 ARTS PROGRAM, OR ACADEMY, A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO TEACH
9 LEADERSHIP, MENTORSHIP AS WELL AS EMPOWER OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO
10 THINK AS LEADERS USING THE ELEMENTS OF HIP HOP CULTURE AND
11 GRAFFITI ART. IN EARLY 2012, WILMINGTON AS WE ALL KNEW FACED
12 NUMEROUS HOMICIDES IN THE SPAN OF A FEW MONTHS. TO HELP COMBAT
13 THAT, ELY AND THE S.B.C.C. CREATED I HEART WILMINGTON. THIS
14 GRASS ROOT MOVEMENT INVOLVED LOCAL GOVERNMENT, POLICE AND OVER
15 300 RESIDENTS IN DELIVERING RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS THROUGHOUT
16 THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS A MONTHLY WALK IN WILMINGTON. HE HAS
17 RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY AND RELIGION, IS
18 CURRENTLY WORKING ON HIS MASTER'S DEGREE. HE LOVES WRITING
19 MUSIC WITH HIS BAND, READING BOOKS AND SPEAKING TO YOUTH
20 ACROSS AMERICA. HE AND HIS WIFE OF FIVE YEARS, ROSA, RESIDE IN
21 SAN PEDRO WITH THEIR BABY, SOPHIA ROSE. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF
22 AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ELY AND THANK
23 HIM FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO LEAD US IN THE
24 INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE WERE LED IN THE
4 PLEDGE THIS MORNING BY DR. THUMPER BLOOMQUIST, A RESIDENT OF
5 NORTH HOLLYWOOD, REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LEGION. DR.
6 BLOOMQUIST SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS A SERGEANT FROM
7 1967 TO '73 IN SPECIAL FORCES 46TH COMPANY IN THAILAND. HE
8 SERVED IN THE VIETNAM THEATER. HE RECEIVED THE GOOD CONDUCT
9 MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, VIETNAM SERVICE MEDAL,
10 AND REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL. HE IS A DOCTOR AND A
11 CHIROPRACTOR WITH THE FIRM, HIS FIRM IS THE HOLISTIC WELLNESS
12 CENTER IN BURBANK. HE'S BEEN MARRIED FOR 26 YEARS, A RESIDENT
13 OF OUR DISTRICT FOR 27 YEARS, ATTENDED PIERCE COLLEGE,
14 UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT, AND CAL STATE
15 NORTHRIDGE AND IS A GRADUATE OF GRENADA HILLS HIGH SCHOOL. SO,
16 DR. BLOOMQUIST, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LEADING US IN THE
17 PLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY.

18 [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
21 CALL THE AGENDA. [SILENCE.]

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23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SORRY ABOUT THAT. GOOD MORNING,
24 MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA
25 ON PAGE 3, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. WE WILL HOLD



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1 THESE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 7, ADMINISTRATIVE
2 MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 5 THROUGH 16. ON ITEM NO.
3 6 IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.
4 ON ITEM NO. 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
5 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEM NO. 13, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
6 AND SUPERVISOR KNABE ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE ON THIS ITEM. AND
7 ON THIS ITEM, WE'LL ALSO HOLD IT FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.
8 AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE
9 BEFORE YOU.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MEMBERS OF
12 THE BOARD. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES.
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE
14 RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,
17 ITEMS 17 THROUGH 22. ON ITEM NO. 17, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
19 NO. 18, ITEM NO. 19 AND ITEM -- EXCUSE ME ON THOSE TWO ITEMS,
20 18 AND 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
21 HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 21, AS INDICATED ON THE
22 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS
23 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO APRIL 30, 2013. AND ON
24 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
25 HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 22, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF



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1 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEM, WHICH IS
2 ITEM NO. 20, IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR
5 YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SECONDS. IF THERE ARE
6 NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** PAGE 14, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
9 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
10 OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
11 ITEM NO. 23-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
12 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 23-B IS BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM'S BEFORE US, MEMBERS OF
15 THE BOARD. SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
16 SECONDS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS
17 VOTE.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND ON ITEM 23-C, THERE'S A
20 REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT
21 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LADIES AND
25 GENTLEMEN, WE HAVE SEVERAL PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING. THIS IS



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1 THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF
2 VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO DO STELLAR WORK. YOU'LL
3 HEAR PRESENTATIONS THIS MORNING FROM SUPERVISORS KNABE AND
4 ANTONOVICH. I'LL BEGIN WITH THE GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS.
5 YOU'LL WISH TO KNOW THAT IT WAS IN THE YEAR 2008 THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS WANTED TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND
7 LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO GET INVOLVED IN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.
8 THE COUNTY WANTED COMMUNITY GROUPS, NONPROFITS, AS WELL AS
9 RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES TO TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR
10 PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT. THE GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS WERE
11 ESTABLISHED AND LAUNCHED AS A PART OF THE ANNUAL EARTH DAY
12 OBSERVANCE IN APRIL. GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD PROJECTS MUST GO
13 BEYOND MERE COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL
14 REGULATION. THE AWARDS COMMITTEE, WHICH CONSISTS OF A PANEL OF
15 JUDGES, CAREFULLY SCRUTINIZES ALL ENTRIES DURING THE SITE
16 VISITS FOR THE FINALISTS. COMMITTEE MEMBERS TOOK THE CREATIVE
17 AND SIGNIFICANT ENHANCEMENTS TO A PROCESS AND PROCEDURE. SO
18 TODAY, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROUDLY HONORS THE 2013 GREEN
19 LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS WHO HAVE CREATED AND IMPLEMENTED
20 INNOVATIVE PROJECTS THAT ENHANCE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.
21 WHY DON'T YOU GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
22 OUR FIRST HONOREE IS CHRISTINA KULL MARTENS, WHO IS THE
23 MANAGER OF PROCESS IMPROVEMENT FOR NORTHROP GRUMMAN
24 CORPORATION. CHRISTINA DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED NORTHROP'S
25 AWARD-WINNING EMPLOYEE SUSTAINABILITY TEAM. THE GROUP



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1 SPEARHEADS NORTHROP GRUMMAN'S EFFORTS IN THE AREAS OF
2 GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION, RECYCLING, WASTE REDUCTION AND
3 ENERGY SAVINGS. CHRISTINA SPECIALIZES IN AIR QUALITY
4 COMPLIANCE, CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY REPORTING,
5 EFFICIENCY, IDENTIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION AND THE FEDERAL
6 LEAD PROGRAM WHICH GIVES A SPECIAL DESIGNATION TO BUILDINGS
7 THAT FEATURE A LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN.
8 JOINING CHRISTINA TODAY TO ACCEPT THE CHAIR'S GREEN LEADERSHIP
9 AWARD ARE HER HUSBAND, LIONEL, AND IN ADDITION TO THAT BRUCE
10 GAINS, WHO IS A FLEET MANAGER FOR NORTHROP GRUMMAN. AND WE
11 WISH TO SAY A HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINA FOR HER
12 EFFORTS AND BEING GIVEN THIS EXCELLENT AWARD. CHRISTINA,
13 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE? ANOTHER BIG
14 ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR CHRISTINA AND HER WORK. [APPLAUSE.]
15 WELL, IN THE BUSINESS CATEGORY, WE HAVE SONY PICTURES
16 ENTERTAINMENT FOR ITS SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH
17 PROGRAM. AND SONY PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT AS A
18 MAJOR EMPLOYER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, IT HAS A RESPONSIBILITY
19 TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT. TO FULFILL ITS COMMITMENT TO
20 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY, SONY PICTURES DECIDED TO EDUCATE
21 AND EMPOWER ITS EMPLOYEES. FIRST, A CASH INCENTIVE PROGRAM WAS
22 CREATED TO ENCOURAGE EMPLOYEES TO PURCHASE CLEAN AIR ENERGY
23 EFFICIENT VEHICLES AND SOLAR PANELS FOR THEIR HOMES. AND SO
24 SONY PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT ALSO FUNDED 14 EMPLOYEE-SUPPORTED
25 COMMUNITY PROJECTS, SUCH AS A COMMUNITY GARDEN AT THE ORVILLE



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1 WRIGHT SCHOOL AND, SECONDLY, PEOPLE PETS AND NATIVE PLANTS
2 INITIATIVE WITH VILLAGE GARDENERS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER.
3 AND SO ACCEPTING THE GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD IN THE BUSINESS
4 CATEGORY ON BEHALF OF SONY PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT ARE STEPHAN
5 BERNARD, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, SECURITY ENVIRONMENT, AND
6 JOHN RAGEL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR SUSTAINABILITY. GIVE THEM A
7 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] WELL IN THE
8 PUBLIC AGENCY CATEGORY, SANTA MONICA BAY RESTORATION
9 COMMISSION FOR THE CULVER CITY RAINWATER HARVESTING PROGRAM,
10 GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE DOWN IN SANTA MONICA.
11 [APPLAUSE.] THIS INITIATIVE WAS LAUNCHED TO TEACH LOCAL
12 RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS ABOUT URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT AND
13 PROVIDE THEM WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN, QUOTE,
14 BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, END QUOTE. MANY PEOPLE DO NOT
15 REALIZE THAT RAIN WATER FROM SIDEWALKS, DRIVEWAYS AND STREETS
16 COLLECTS POLLUTANTS SUCH AS LEAD, COPPER AND BACTERIA AND CAN
17 TRANSPORT THESE POLLUTANTS VIA STORM DRAINS INTO THE SANTA
18 MONICA BAY. SO AS A PART OF THE CULVER CITY PROGRAM, THE
19 COMMISSION INSTALLED 396 RAIN BARRELS AND EDUCATED MORE THAN
20 1,000 RESIDENTS AT PUBLIC EVENTS, HOME CONSULTATIONS AND
21 THROUGH THE DISTRIBUTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL LITERATURE. THE RAIN
22 BARRELS CAPTURED BETWEEN 175,000 TO 400,000 GALLONS OF RAIN
23 WATER EACH YEAR. AND ACCEPTING THE GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD IN
24 THE PUBLIC AGENCY CATEGORY FOR THE SANTA MONICA BAY
25 RESTORATION COMMISSIONER WOULD BE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF



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1 SUSTAINABILITY, SHELLY LUZ. AND THEN THE OTHERS WHO SHOULD BE
2 MENTIONED, AS WELL, ARE DAMIEN SKINNER AND I'LL NEED A LITTLE
3 HELP HERE. GUANG YU. GIVE THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE,
4 WILL YOU? GUANG YU WONG. [APPLAUSE.] AND WE INVITE SUPERVISOR
5 YAROSLAVSKY TO COME AND JOIN US FOR THIS PHOTO.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WE HAVE A NONPROFIT
8 ORGANIZATION CATEGORY AND THAT GOES TO CAL STATE UNIVERSITY
9 LOS ANGELES FOR THEIR ECOCAR2 TEAM. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF
10 APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
11 AND GENERAL MOTORS ARE FUNDING A THREE-YEAR ADVANCED PLUG-IN
12 HYBRID VEHICLE DESIGN AND BUILD COMPETITION. THE INNOVATIVE
13 PROGRAM CHALLENGES UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING STUDENTS TO REDUCE
14 THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF VEHICLES WHILE AT THE SAME TIME
15 MAINTAINS THE AUTOMOBILE'S PERFORMANCE, SAFETY AND CONSUMER
16 APPEAL. THE STUDENTS AT CAL STATE LOS ANGELES WERE UP TO THE
17 TASK. CURRENTLY THEY ARE DESIGNING AND INTEGRATING THEIR
18 ETHANOL 85-POWER PLUG-IN HYBRID SOLUTION INTO AN ALL-NEW 2013
19 CHEVROLET MALIBU. I'LL RESIST THE TEMPTATION TO EDITORIALIZE.
20 TEAM, THERE'S ANOTHER WAY OF DESCRIBING WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO
21 THAT CAR. I THINK YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS. TEAM MEMBERS ARE ALSO
22 EDUCATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ENGINEERS BY REACHING OUT TO
23 MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND TEACHING THEM HOW TO MAKE ECO-
24 FRIENDLY CHOICES. SO JOINING US TODAY TO RECEIVE THE NONPROFIT
25 ORGANIZATION GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD ARE DR. DAVID BLECKMAN,



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1 ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE
2 AND TECHNOLOGY, CHRISTOPHER REED, PROJECT MANAGER, AND ABRAHAM
3 VARGAS AND THE ECOCAR2 TEAM. I WANT YOU TO GIVE THEM A BIG
4 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WE INVITE SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO COME INTO
5 THIS PHOTO WITH US -- SUPERVISOR MOLINA -- FOR THE PHOTO.
6 [APPLAUSE.] AND NOW FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CATEGORY, THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR SUSTAINABLE PAVEMENT TREATMENT
8 FOR COUNTY ROADS. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU?
9 [APPLAUSE.] KEEPING OUR ROADS IN GOOD CONDITIONS IS A
10 CHALLENGE. THE PUBLIC WORKS TEAM IMPLEMENTED A SUSTAINABLE
11 PAVEMENT TREATMENT PROGRAM WHICH REDUCES GREENHOUSE GAS
12 EMISSIONS AND ENERGY USAGE. THE THREE-PRONGED APPROACH
13 INCLUDES PAVEMENT, PRESERVATION, USING RECYCLED MATERIALS AND
14 REUTILIZING EXISTING MATERIALS. SUSTAINABLE PAVEMENT TREATMENT
15 FOR COUNTY ROADS HAS DRASTICALLY REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF
16 MATERIALS THAT WOULD TYPICALLY GO TO LANDFILLS AND ELIMINATED
17 TRAFFIC TRUCK TRAFFIC. SO ACCEPTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 CATEGORY GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD ARE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:
19 GAIL FARBER, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND STAFF
20 MEMBERS GREG KELLY, AND VAN TRONG. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF
21 APPLAUSE, WILL YOU, PLEASE? [APPLAUSE.] HI, MELODY. AND WE'RE
22 GOING TO INVITE SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH, IF HE WOULD JOIN
23 US FOR THIS PHOTO.
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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO ASK
2 THE REPRESENTATIVE TO COME FORTH. WE'RE GOING TO ASK CHRISTINA
3 KULL MARTENS IF SHE WOULD GIVE REMARKS ON IN STELLAR GROUP OF
4 INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD. PLEASE WELCOME
5 CHRISTINA KULL MARTENS. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **CHRISTINA KULL MARTENS:** I'VE GOT TO SAY THAT I'M THRILLED AND
8 THANK YOU FOR THIS AWARD FOR MYSELF AND THE REST OF THE
9 HONOREES, AS WELL. WE DEFINITELY OWE THIS TO ALL THE TEAMS
10 THAT WORKED WITH US. NONE OF THESE ARE AN INDIVIDUAL RESULT.
11 SO FOR MYSELF, I'D LIKE TO ALSO SAY THAT I OWE IT TO MY
12 HUSBAND WHO LET ME TEST OUT THIS FINANCIAL R.O.I. ESTIMATES,
13 FOR ALL OF MY GREEN PROJECTS FOR WORK, AND BRUCE GAINS, OUR
14 FLEET MANAGER, FOR STEALTHILY NOMINATING ME FOR THIS AWARD, I
15 DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL WE HAD WON IT AS WELL. AND ALSO FOR DRIVING
16 ME IN OUR COMPANY HYBRID HERE TODAY, SO THAT WAS GOOD. WE'LL
17 USE THIS ALWAYS TO HELP DRIVING SUSTAINABILITY, TO MAKE SURE
18 IT HAS A PLACE AT THE DECISION TABLE NO MATTER WHERE WE ARE.
19 AND AGAIN THANK YOU. WE'RE DEFINITELY THRILLED TO BE SOME OF
20 THE GREENEST LEADERS IN L.A. THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE GREEN LEADERSHIP
23 AWARDS, A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. YOU MAY
24 EXIT THE STAGE. [APPLAUSE.] NOW, SERGEANT, MR. GERARD?
25 SERGEANT, WE HAVE SOME EXCITED EMPLOYEES OVER HERE. WOULD YOU



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1 HELP THEM BE LESS EXCITED? LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THIS IS
2 NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' WEEK. AND WE HAVE THE REPRESENTATIVES
3 FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO HELP
4 US HONOR AND CELEBRATE THIS APPROPRIATELY AS WELL AS
5 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER AND CORONER'S
6 OFFICE, REPRESENTATIVES FROM CRIME SURVIVORS AND
7 REPRESENTATIVES FROM JUSTICE FOR HOMICIDE VICTIMS. OUR
8 COLLEAGUES, ALL OF US TODAY, ARE PLEASED TO BE JOINED BY THESE
9 INDIVIDUALS. WE REPRESENT A WIDE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW THE
10 SIGNIFICANCE OF RECOGNIZING NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS
11 WEEK IN THIS COUNTY. THIS IS BUT A SMALL TOKEN OF OUR
12 APPRECIATION TO THOSE WHO HAVE DISTINGUISHED THEMSELVES IN
13 ADVOCATING FOR AND SUPPORTING VICTIMS OF CRIME. JUST A FEW
14 WEEKS AGO, WE CULMINATED THE SEASON FOR NONVIOLENCE, A PERIOD
15 THAT MARKS THE ANNIVERSARIES OF THE ASSASSINATION OF MAHATMAS
16 K. GANDHI AND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., WE CULMINATED THE
17 SEASON BY A CANDLELIGHT VIGIL BY HONORING AND REMEMBERING
18 THOSE WHO HAD FALLEN TO CRIMES. THEY ARE, IN MANY INSTANCES,
19 VICTIMS; THEY ARE IN OTHER INSTANCES SURVIVORS. CRIME IS
20 DECLINING BOTH HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND
21 NATIONWIDE. HOWEVER, THE RECENT TRAGEDY IN BOSTON AND THE
22 SHOOTINGS IN NEWTOWN, COUPLED WITH THE TRAGEDIES THAT HAVE
23 OCCURRED RIGHT HERE AT HOME ARE STARK REMINDERS OF THE CULTURE
24 OF VIOLENCE THAT PERMEATES THE NATION. AND, YET, OUT OF THE
25 DARKNESS COMES LIGHT. THIS MORNING WE HONOR THOSE WHO ARE



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1 BEACONS OF LIGHT THAT GIVES US HOPE, INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK WITH
2 AND SUPPORT SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS OF CRIMES AND THEIR FAMILY.
3 WE SIMPLY WISH TO SAY THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
4 COMMITMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
5 PASSION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPASSION. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
6 SPIRIT OF DEDICATION. SO WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT
7 THESE SCROLLS TO THESE STELLAR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAKE A
8 DIFFERENCE IN THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITIES ACROSS
9 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE'RE GOING TO ASK CHIEF DEPUTY
10 DISTRICT ATTORNEY SHARON MATSUMOTO TO MAKE BRIEF REMARKS ON
11 BEHALF OF OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JACKIE LACEY, AND THEN
12 PROCEED WITH OUR PRESENTATION OF THE SCROLLS. MISS MATSUMOTO.
13

14 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF DISTRICT
15 ATTORNEY JACKIE LACEY, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO BE HERE TODAY TO
16 ACCEPT THIS PROCLAMATION ALONG WITH OUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR,
17 DONNA WILLS. THE 2013 NATIONAL VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK THEME,
18 "NEW CHALLENGES, NEW SOLUTIONS," REMINDS US OF THE COMPLEX
19 CONSEQUENCES OF CRIME THAT VICTIMS FACE EACH AND EVERY DAY AND
20 THE REASON THE VICTIMS RIGHTS MOVEMENT HAS PLEDGED TO STAY
21 VIGILANT AND GALVANIZED IN THEIR SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY ON THEIR
22 BEHALF. NEW CHALLENGES INCLUDE ADVANCES IN TECHNOLOGY THAT
23 HAVE CREATED NEW CRIMES AND NEW VICTIMS, AMONG THEM CYBER
24 STALKING, COMPUTER SABOTAGE AND IDENTITY THEFT. NEW SOLUTIONS
25 MEANS WE MUST EMBRACE THESE TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES TO BETTER



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1 DETECT AND SOLVE CRIMES SO WE CAN BRING THESE OFFENDERS TO
2 JUSTICE. TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES HAVE ALSO GIVEN US ADDITIONAL
3 CRIME-SOLVING TOOLS SO THAT OFFENDERS RESPONSIBLE FOR UNSOLVED
4 CRIMES OR COLD CASES CAN BE APPREHENDED AND FACE THE JUSTICE
5 THAT HAS BEEN SO LONG IN COMING. NEW CHALLENGES INCLUDE
6 DRAMATIC INCREASES IN AGE-OLD CRIMES LIKE HUMAN TRAFFICKING,
7 WHERE WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE SOLD GLOBALLY, NATIONALLY AND
8 EVEN LOCALLY BY PROFITEERS FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND FORCED
9 LABOR. AS PART OF THE NEW SOLUTIONS, WE NEED TO SHED THE
10 ANTIQUATED VIEW THAT PEOPLE TRAPPED IN MODERN DAY SLAVERY ARE
11 SOMEHOW PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR VICTIMIZATION. THERE
12 SHOULD BE NO DOUBT THAT THESE VICTIMS ARE FULLY ENTITLED TO
13 THEIR DAY IN COURT. THESE INDIVIDUALS DESERVE VIGOROUS AND
14 DILIGENT INVESTIGATION OF THE CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST THEM
15 AND THE PROTECTION AND SUPPORT OFFERED BY OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM.
16 AS THESE, AND OTHER, NEW CHALLENGES SURFACE FOR VICTIMS, THEY
17 LOOK TO THOSE OF US IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMUNITY, IN THE
18 VICTIM SERVICES COMMUNITY, AND IN THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE FOR
19 OUR HELP TO REVEAL THE WRONGS DONE TO THEM AND TO OFFER
20 SUPPORT AS VICTIMS ATTEMPT TO PUT THEIR DISRUPTED LIVES BACK
21 TOGETHER AS BEST THEY CAN. THE RESILIENCE AND VALOR OF CRIME
22 VICTIMS AND THE TENACITY AND DEDICATION OF THEIR ALLIES
23 CONTINUE TO SERVE AS INSPIRATION TO US ALL. TODAY BY ITS
24 PROCLAMATION, THE BOARD CONFIRMS THAT OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY
25 STANDS WITH CRIME VICTIMS THROUGH NEW AND ENDURING CHALLENGES,



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1 READY TO OFFER VIABLE SOLUTIONS AND CONSISTENT SUPPORT AS THEY
2 WORK TOWARD RECOVERY. FOR OVER 36 YEARS, THE DISTRICT
3 ATTORNEY'S VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS PROVIDED
4 ADVOCACY, COMPENSATION AND VICTIM SERVICES TO HELP VICTIMS
5 BECOME SURVIVORS. TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ALL OF OUR
6 VICTIMS' WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM EMPLOYEES WHO ARE PRESENT
7 TO PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. [APPLAUSE.] NATIONAL
8 VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR
9 VALUED PARTNERS WHO HELP VICTIMS THROUGH THEIR CHALLENGES AND
10 WHO OFFER SOLUTIONS BY SEEKING JUSTICE, PROVIDING SERVICES AND
11 PROTECTING VICTIMS' RIGHTS. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY VICTIM
12 WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS COMMEND THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AND SERVICE
14 PROVIDERS: FIRST, DR. LAKSHMANAN SATHYAVAGISWARAN, CHIEF
15 MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER. [APPLAUSE.] DR. LAKSHMANAN PROVIDED
16 EXPERT, PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP TO THE OFFICE CHARGED WITH
17 INVESTIGATING AND CLASSIFYING LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUSPICIOUS
18 DEATHS. FOR THREE DECADES, DR. LAKSHMANAN LED NUMEROUS
19 NOTORIOUS CELEBRITY AND RENOWNED DEATH INVESTIGATIONS.
20 HOWEVER, THE LEGACY WE CELEBRATE TODAY IS THE HUMANITY, CARE,
21 AND CONCERN DR. LAKSHMANAN ALWAYS SHOWED FOR THE ORDINARY
22 VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES. HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR CLOSURE AND
23 JUSTICE FOR MANY FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY WHERE CRIMINAL HOMICIDES
24 WERE INITIALLY PRESENTED AS SUICIDES, ACCIDENTS, OR UNSOLVABLE
25 DEATHS. HE WAS ALSO A PIONEER PARTICIPANT ON BOTH CHILD AND



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1 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DEATH REVIEW TEAMS AND ON THE ELDER ABUSE
2 FORENSIC CENTER TEAM. NEXT, DAVE DAHLE, RETIRED HEAD DEPUTY
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY. ACCEPTING ON HIS BEHALF OUR ASSISTANT
4 DISTRICT ATTORNEY PAMELA BOOTH. DAVE IS HONORED TODAY FOR HIS
5 EXPERTISE AND EXEMPLARY LEADERSHIP OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
6 PAROLE DIVISION, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE LIFER HEARING DIVISION.
7 DURING HIS 13-YEAR TENURE, THE D.A.'S OFFICE GREATLY INCREASED
8 ITS PARTICIPATION IN LIFER HEARING PROVIDING THE LONE VOICE
9 FOR DECEASED VICTIMS TO PREVENT THE RELEASE OF DANGEROUS
10 MURDERERS SENTENCED TO LIFE IN STATE PRISON. DAVE IMPLEMENTED
11 THE USE OF LOCAL VIDEO CONFERENCING FOR HEARINGS, WHICH
12 ALLOWED GREATER PARTICIPATION BY VICTIMS, RECRUITED A VICTIM
13 ADVOCATE TO ASSIST THE DIVISION'S EFFORTS, AND LECTURED TO
14 VICTIMS' GROUPS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS ABOUT THE VALUE AND
15 STRUCTURE OF VICTIM PARTICIPATION AT LIFER HEARINGS. NEXT WE
16 HONOR LISA TANNER, DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY. [APPLAUSE.] SINCE
17 2009, AS DEPUTY IN CHARGE, LISA HAS LED THE VAN NUYS VICTIM
18 IMPACT PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS VIP, SPECIALIZING IN SEXUAL
19 ASSAULT, CHILD ABUSE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES. SHE HAS
20 WORKED TIRELESSLY AND COMPASSIONATELY TO VINDICATE THESE
21 VULNERABLE VICTIMS. A NATURAL LEADER AND TENACIOUS TRIAL
22 LAWYER, LISA HAS OBTAINED GUILTY VERDICTS IN MANY CHALLENGING
23 CASES. IN PEOPLE VERSUS ADGUYAN, LISA METICULOUSLY PRESENTED A
24 COMPELLING CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE CASE TO DISPROVE THE 68
25 YEAR OLD DEFENDANT'S STATEMENT TO THE POLICE THAT HE JUST



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1 FOUND HIS 66 YEAR OLD WIFE BLUDGEONED TO DEATH. THE JURY FOUND
2 ADGUYAN GUILTY OF SECOND DEGREE MURDER FOR KILLING HIS WIFE
3 ONE EASTER SUNDAY IN AN ARGUMENT ABOUT WHAT TO COOK FOR
4 DINNER. NEXT WE HONOR CRIME SURVIVORS INC. WITH OUR FOUNDER
5 AND C.E.O. PATRICIA WENSKUNAS. FOUNDED IN 2003 BY VICTIM
6 SURVIVOR PATRICIA WENSKUNAS, CRIME SURVIVORS IS A POWERFUL
7 COMMUNITY VOICE TO MAKE VICTIMS' RIGHTS A TOP PRIORITY AND TO
8 ENSURE THAT VICTIMS ARE PROVIDED THE RESOURCES, SUPPORT AND
9 INFORMATION THEY NEED TO SURVIVE AND THRIVE. CRIME SURVIVORS
10 RESOURCE GUIDE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS A VALUABLE RESOURCE
11 RELIED UPON FOR COORDINATING VICTIMS' SERVICES. THEY WORK
12 COLLABORATIVELY WITH CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS, SERVICE
13 PROVIDERS, GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE AGENCIES, AND THROUGHOUT THE
14 COMMUNITY TO MAKE SURE THAT THE SERVICES TO WHICH VICTIMS ARE
15 ENTITLED ARE, IN FACT, RECEIVED. AND, FINALLY, JUSTICE FOR
16 HOMICIDE VICTIMS, ALSO KNOWN AS J.H.V., ACCEPTING JANE
17 BOUFFARD, PRESIDENT OF THE HOMICIDE VICTIMS' MEMORIAL FUND AND
18 HER HUSBAND, BILL. J.H.V. FOUNDER, ELLEN GRIFFIN DUNNE, SAID
19 "HOMICIDE IS THE ULTIMATE OFFENSE AGAINST SOCIETY. ITS
20 PUNISHMENT MUST REFLECT THE GRAVITY OF THE CRIME." SINCE 1984,
21 J.H.V. HAS PROVIDED EMPATHETIC SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO
22 SURVIVORS OF HOMICIDE VICTIMS. J.H.V. HAS HELPED THEM THROUGH
23 THEIR GRIEF AND PAIN AND PROVIDED AN ENDURING OUTCRY FOR
24 OFFENDER ACCOUNTABILITY. J.H.V. HAS BEEN A PREMIER FORCE
25 ADVOCATING FOR VICTIMS, ESTABLISHING A MEMORIAL WALL TO HONOR



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1 HOMICIDE VICTIMS AT THE ROSE HILL CEMETERY, LEADING THE EFFORT
2 TO SECURE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOR VICTIMS UNDER MARSY'S LAW,
3 AND PRESENTING SATURDAY VICTIMS' RIGHTS CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE
4 COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT VICTIMS KNOW THEIR RIGHTS SO THEY CAN
5 BETTER EXERCISE THEIR RIGHTS. THAN YOU SUPERVISOR.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** AND FINALLY, WE PRESENT TO YOU
8 ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING
9 NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK, THIS SCROLL TO MAKE IT
10 CLEAR THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE ADVOCACY, THE COMPASSION, AND
11 THE COMMITMENT MADE BY ALL OF THOSE WHO YOU SEE HERE AND
12 LEGIONS WHO BACK THEM UP FOR THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING AND
13 WILL CONTINUE TO DO ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF
14 LOS ANGELES. SO A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THEM ALL, WILL
15 YOU? [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE, PLEASE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
18 I WOULD LIKE TO ASK ILONA VOLKMANN TO JOIN ME UP HERE TODAY.
19 TODAY WE ARE HONORING HER FOR HER 33 YEARS OF DEDICATED
20 SERVICE COMMITTING HERSELF TO THE MISSIONS AND PRINCIPLES OF
21 OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION. ILONA JOINED THE
22 COUNTY WITH PARKS AND REC BACK IN 1980 AS A RECREATION LEADER
23 IN SOUTH WHITTIER, AND THEN WAS PROMOTED TO RECREATION
24 SERVICES SUPERVISOR SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF HACIENDA AND
25 ROWLAND HEIGHTS. IN 1998 SHE WAS PROMOTED TO ADMINISTRATIVE



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1 ASSISTANT IN THE PLANNING DIVISION, WHERE SHE OVERSAW THE
2 REORGANIZATION OF OUR GRANTS UNIT AS WELL AS PREPARING ANNUAL
3 CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGETS THAT EXCEEDED \$100 MILLION PER YEAR.
4 1994, SHE JOINED OUR COUNTY REGIONAL PARKS OPEN SPACE DISTRICT
5 AS SUPERVISOR OF THE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SECTION, COORDINATING
6 THE GRANT MANAGEMENT ONCE AGAIN OF NEARLY 1300 GRANTS. IN
7 2005, SHE BECAME THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE OPEN SPACE
8 DISTRICT, WHERE SHE TOOK CHARGE OF DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS FOR
9 PROPOSITIONS A OF 1992 AND '96, THE VOTER APPROVED
10 ASSESSMENTS, ON NEARLY 2.25 MILLION PARCELS HERE IN THE
11 COUNTY. SHE DEVELOPED SEVERAL MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR GRANT
12 PROGRAMS TO PLANT TREES, DEVELOP TRAILS, PURCHASE OPEN SPACE,
13 AND IMPROVE PARKS, WHERE SHE ADMINISTERED AN ANNUAL BUDGET OF
14 SOME \$400 MILLION WHILE ALSO OVERSEEING A \$1.1 BILLION OF
15 GRANT FUNDS TO VARIOUS 200 GRANTEEES FROM CITIES TO COUNTY
16 APARTMENTS AND CONSERVANCIES. SHE'S ALSO SERVED IN POSITIONS
17 OF LEADERSHIP IN THE CALIFORNIA PARK AND RECREATION SOCIETY AS
18 WELL AS SHE WAS AWARDED THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL
19 CITATION AWARD BY THE NATIONAL PARKS AND RECREATION
20 ASSOCIATION, RECOGNIZING HER ACHIEVEMENT. SO WE WANT TO SAY
21 THANK YOU NOT ONLY FOR 33 YEARS OF SERVICE AND A JOB WELL DONE
22 BUT PERSONALLY I WANT TO THANK HER FOR ALL THAT SHE'S DONE. I
23 KNOW I DON'T SPEAK JUST FOR MYSELF, BUT IN MY PARTICULAR
24 DISTRICT, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR PERSONAL EFFORTS IN
25 CREATING SEVERAL SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMS AND ALSO SORT OF



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1 HANDHOLDING MANY OF OUR CITIES IN THEIR GRANT APPLICATIONS, AS
2 WELL. SO ILONA, WE WANT TO THANK YOU AND WISH YOU WELL IN YOUR
3 JOURNEY OF RETIREMENT. SAY THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.

4 [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **ILONA VOLKMANN:** NOW VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** SHE'S OBVIOUSLY ANXIOUS FOR RETIREMENT.

9 [LAUGHTER.] A VERY BRIEF THANK YOU. THERE WAS A LOT OF
10 INCREDIBLE WORK THAT ILONA HAS DONE ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS
11 OF ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. NEXT IT'S
12 MY PLEASURE TO ASK ROBERT BENTKO, WHO IS THE PRINCIPAL OF JOE
13 GONSALVES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DR. MARY SIEU, WHO IS OUR
14 SUPERINTENDENT AT A.B.C. UNIFIED AND ALSO JOINING HIM ARE KIM
15 PIMMEN AND NADIA JOSSER SANDEJAS. TODAY WE ARE HONORING THE
16 JOE A. GONSALVES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE A.B.C. UNIFIED
17 SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF ONLY FIVE
18 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN 2012,
19 ONE OF ONLY 24 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND ONE OF ONLY 314
20 IN THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES. THE NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS
21 PROGRAM HONORS PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND
22 HIGH SCHOOLS WHERE STUDENTS PERFORM AT A VERY HIGH LEVEL AND
23 WHERE STUDENTS ARE MAKING SIGNIFICANT GAINS IN ACADEMIC
24 ACHIEVEMENT. A VITAL PART OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
25 EDUCATION, THE PROGRAM IDENTIFIES AND DISSEMINATES KNOWLEDGE



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1 ABOUT EFFECTIVE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AND ITS INSTRUCTIONAL
2 PRACTICES. IT'S A VERY HIGH GOAL FOR THESE SCHOOLS AND IS ALSO
3 A POTENT RESOURCE OF PRACTITIONER KNOWLEDGE. THE JOE A.
4 GONSALVES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EDUCATES STUDENTS TO BECOME
5 PRODUCTIVE, INFORMED AND INVOLVED PARTICIPANTS IN 21ST CENTURY
6 SOCIETY. TO ENSURE SUCCESS, EACH STUDENT EXPERIENCES A
7 BALANCED CURRICULUM WITH A FOCUS ON ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AS
8 WELL AS A VERY SUPPORTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT. THEY BELIEVE
9 THE SUCCESS OF THEIR PROGRAM SPRINGS FROM ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT
10 OF THE STUDENTS, PARENTS, COMMUNITY, STAFF. AND FOR SOMEONE
11 WHO LIVES IN CERRITOS AND A.B.C., I CAN SPEAK FROM EXPERIENCE
12 AND SAY THAT IS TRUE. SO ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE
13 BOARD, THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE'D LIKE TO
14 PRESENT THE PRINCIPAL, MR. BENKO, WITH THIS PLAQUE IN
15 RECOGNIZING, ALSO BROUGHT ALONG -- I DIDN'T HAVE THEIR NAMES,
16 BUT A COUPLE TEACHERS. FIRST GRADE, FOURTH GRADE IF I'M
17 CORRECT. AND THEY'RE GOING TO SAY A FEW WORDS, BUT WE WANT TO
18 SAY CONGRATULATIONS JOE A. GONSALVES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.
19 [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **MARY SIEU:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE
22 FOR THIS WONDERFUL RECOGNITION TO CELEBRATE THE GREAT WORK OF
23 GONSALVES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL
24 DISTRICT. I AM HONORED TO BE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF AN
25 OUTSTANDING SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT SERVES AT MOST 34,000



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1 STUDENTS, K-12 THROUGH ADULT LEARNERS. GONSALVES IS ONE OF
2 MANY OUTSTANDING SCHOOLS IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, BUT TO HAVE
3 THIS NATIONAL RECOGNITION, AS WELL, AT THIS TIME WHEN THERE'S
4 SO MUCH NEGATIVE PUBLICITY OVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS, WE ARE SO, SO
5 HAPPY THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS BEEN ABLE TO PUT A SPOTLIGHT
6 ON PUBLIC EDUCATION, ON A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
7 GONSALVES THAT HAS OUTSTANDING LEADERS, TEACHERS AND THE
8 ENTIRE SCHOOL COMMUNITY THAT CONTINUES TO SUPPORT EVERY
9 STUDENT IN EVERY CLASSROOM EVERY DAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH,
10 SUPERVISOR KNABE. [APPLAUSE.]

11
12 **ROBERT BENKO:** YES, I WANT TO ALSO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR
13 THIS RECOGNITION. AND IT'S DEFINITELY A TEAM EFFORT WHEN YOU
14 SEE OUR SCHOOL. AND IT BEGINS, I BROUGHT A COUPLE OF MY GREAT
15 FABULOUS TEACHERS HERE, FIRST GRADE TEACHER KIM PIMMEN, AND
16 FOURTH GRADE TEACHER NADIA JOSSE NENDEJAS. AND IT'S JUST
17 AMAZING TO SEE ALL THE WORK AND TREMENDOUS EFFORTS THEY PUT IN
18 EVERY DAY WORKING WITH THE STUDENTS. AND NOT ONLY THAT, IT'S
19 THE SUPPORT THAT WE GET WITH OUR DISTRICT WITH DR. SIEU, ALONG
20 WITH THE GREAT SUPPORT WE GET FROM OUR PARENTS, AND OF COURSE
21 LET'S NOT FORGET THE OUTSTANDING EFFORTS OF OUR STUDENTS WHO
22 WORK HARD, TRY HARD EVERY DAY, AND THAT'S WHAT MADE US ABLE TO
23 GET THIS AWARD OF BEING A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL. SO,
24 AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, PLEASE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, ONCE AGAIN THIS BOARD
5 OF SUPERVISORS HAS BEEN ON RECORD AS RECOGNIZING THIS DAY FOR
6 THE PAST 32 YEARS I'VE BEEN ON THIS BOARD. I KNOW THE BOARD
7 PRIOR TO THIS HAD RECOGNIZED THIS SOLEMN EVENT THAT OCCURRED
8 IN HISTORY. AND IT'S A TRAGEDY THAT WE WORK FOR THE RESOLVING
9 OF. AND WE DESIRE WHEN PRESIDENT OBAMA MEETS WITH THE
10 PRESIDENT OF TURKEY WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS THAT HE WOULD
11 RAISE THIS ISSUE SO WE COULD HAVE CLOSURE AND MOVE FORWARD.
12 TODAY WE'RE REPRESENTED HERE WITH THE WESTERN DIOCESE OF THE
13 ARMENIAN CHURCH, THE ARMENIAN WESTERN PRELACY, THE CONSULATE
14 OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA, AND THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF
15 AMERICA, THE S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721, THE ARMENIAN CAUCUS, THE
16 ARMENIAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE GLENDALE DEPARTMENT
17 OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, AND THE ARMENIAN-AMERICAN COALITION
18 OF PASADENA. WE ARE HERE TO WELCOME THE COMMUNITY LEADERS IN
19 THIS SPECIAL EVENT IN THE PRESENTATIONS OF THE 98TH
20 ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. THIS OCCURRED ON APRIL
21 24 IN 1915. THE TURKISH OTTOMAN GOVERNMENT BEGAN THE
22 SYSTEMATIC EXTERMINATION OF THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY. RELIGIOUS,
23 POLITICAL, INTELLECTUAL ARMENIAN LEADERS WERE AMONG THE 1.5
24 MILLION VICTIMS WHO WERE ARRESTED. WE JOIN IN THE COMMUNITY IN
25 ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO DIED ARE NOT FORGOTTEN BY DEDICATING



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1 THIS DAY, A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE, FOR THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE.
2 WONDERFUL, SHOCKING DOCUMENTARY THAT I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
3 VIEW AND I ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO ARE LISTENING ON TELEVISION, ON
4 RADIO, ON YOUR COMPUTERS AND IN THE AUDIENCE TO VIEW, THE
5 MOVIE WAS CALLED "GRANDMA'S TATTOO" CREATED BY SUZANNE
6 KHardALIAN, WHICH IS A VERY REVEALING FILM THAT CAPTURED THE
7 TORTURE AND THE INHUMANITY FACED BY WOMEN DURING THIS TRAGIC
8 OCCURRENCE OF THIS GENOCIDE. TODAY WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO KNOW
9 THAT ARMENIA IS NOW A FREE AND INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC, HAVING
10 EMBRACED DEMOCRACY FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE COMMUNIST
11 SOVIET UNION. AND I HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING PART OF A
12 DELEGATION TO YEREVAN WHEN THEY HAD THEIR FIRST FREE, OPEN
13 ELECTIONS. AND IT WAS AN HONOR TO BE THERE AND TO REPRESENT
14 OUR GREAT COUNTY, STATE AND NATION. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE
15 HOME TO THE LARGEST POPULATION OF ARMENIANS IN THE UNITED
16 STATES. THEY HAVE ENRICHED OUR COUNTY THROUGH THEIR LEADERSHIP
17 IN THE FIELDS OF BUSINESS, IN THE MEDICAL FIELD, IN THE
18 EDUCATIONAL CLASSROOM, IN ADMINISTRATION, ALL LEVELS OF
19 GOVERNMENT IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTOR HAVE BEEN
20 ENRICHED. AND I WOULD SAY ONE OF THE GREATEST GOVERNORS THAT
21 THIS STATE OF CALIFORNIA EVER HAD, GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN,
22 SERVED WITH PRIDE, HONESTY, INTEGRITY AND AS A ROLE MODEL FOR
23 EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF POLITICAL PARTY. BUT HE'S A GOOD FAMILY
24 MAN. HE SET AN EXAMPLE. AND HE HAD THE RESPECT OF ALL MEMBERS
25 OF THE LEGISLATURE WHEN HE WAS THERE FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE



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1 AISLE. WE'RE VERY PLEASED THAT HE STARTED HERE AS PART OF THE
2 COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE BEFORE BEING ELECTED TO THE STATE
3 SENATE AND STILL LIVES ON BROADWAY IN LONG BEACH IN THE HOME
4 THAT HE ORIGINALLY HAD AND IS THERE AND RAISED HIS FAMILY. BUT
5 LET ME AT THIS TIME RECOGNIZE ARCHBISHOP -- OF THE WESTERN
6 DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH WHO GAVE ONE OF THE VERY
7 BEAUTIFUL EULOGIES THIS PAST WEEK IN JOHN KRIKORIAN'S FUNERAL
8 WHO SERVED THIS COMMUNITY SO WELL AND WAS ALSO ONE OF THE
9 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELPING FIND JOBS AND TRAINING PEOPLE FOR
10 EMPLOYMENT. SO YOUR EMINENCE? [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. ANTONOVICH, AND BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS. EVERY YEAR WE REMEMBER OUR ARMENIAN GENOCIDE.
14 GREATEST GIFT GOD HAS BESTOWED UPON MANKIND AND GRACED MANKIND
15 IS THE GIFT OF LIFE. AND NOBODY HAS THE RIGHT TO DESTROY THAT
16 LIFE. AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, 20TH CENTURY, HALF OF OUR
17 ARMENIAN PEOPLE WERE DESTROYED BY THE RULERS OF THE OTTOMAN
18 EMPIRE. THE WHOLE WORLD DID NOT LEARN A LESSON. THREE YEARS
19 LATER, IT WAS THE JEWISH HOLOCAUST. THREE YEARS LATER IN
20 CAMBODIA. TWO YEARS LATER IN SOUTHERN SUDAN. AND ON AND ON.
21 LIFE IS A GIFT FROM GOD. WE DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO DESTROY.
22 BUT, REMEMBER, ALL OF US SOONER OR LATER WE HAVE TO FACE GOD
23 AND GIVE AN ACCOUNTING FOR OUR ACTIONS. WE PUT OUR FIRM
24 DETERMINATION TO EXIST, TO LIVE AND TO GO ON. AND TODAY, BY
25 THE GRACE OF GOD, NOT ONLY YOU REMEMBER THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE



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1 WE ARE CELEBRATING THE INDEPENDENCE OF ARMENIA, THE
2 RESURRECTION OF OUR PEOPLE. EVEN THAT IS A GIFT FROM GOD TO
3 US. AND WE PUT OUR FIRM TRUST IN OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AND WE
4 SHALL CONTINUE ON. WITHOUT HESITATION, WITHOUT PUTTING OUR
5 TRUST TO RULERS OF THE WORLD BECAUSE EVENTUALLY ALL THE RULERS
6 WILL FACE THE ULTIMATE RULER, GOD ALMIGHTY. THANK YOU VERY
7 MUCH, SUPERVISORS, FOR RECOGNIZING THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. GOD
8 BLESS YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ARMENIAN WESTERN PRELACY, HIS VERY
11 REVEREND FATHER MURON AZNIKIAN.

12

13 **VERY REV. FR. MURON AZNIKIAN:** ON THIS SOLEMN OCCASION OF THE
14 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE, WE CELEBRATE LIFE AND RESURRECTION OF OUR
15 PEOPLE AND ALSO SAY THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT NATION OF AMERICA
16 RECOGNIZING AND ADMITTING AND HONORING OUR VICTIMS OF THE 21ST
17 CENTURY OF TODAY. AND WE SAY THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT NATION
18 OF THE HOME OF THE HEROES, HOME OF THE FREE AND FREEDOMS. WE
19 SAY ONCE AGAIN THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS THIS BLESSED LAND OF
20 OPPORTUNITIES, LAND OF FREEDOM, AMERICA. [APPLAUSE.]
21 [SILENCE.]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT THIS TIME WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE AN
24 INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOW RETIRING FROM CALIFORNIA STATE
25 UNIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE WAS PRESIDENT AND GAVE A



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1 LOT OF HIS HEART AND SOUL, NOT JUST TO THE COLLEGE CAMPUS BUT
2 TO OUR COUNTY AND STATE AND NATION, AND THAT'S DR. JIM ROSSER,
3 WHO IS RETIRING AFTER 33 YEARS AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
4 OF LOS ANGELES. PRIOR TO THAT, HE WAS A PROFESSOR OF
5 HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT IN MICROBIOLOGY. HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO
6 THE FIELD OF HEALTHCARE RESULTED IN PUBLISHED WORKS AND
7 APPOINTMENTS TO SEVERAL NATIONAL HEALTHCARE BOARDS, INCLUDING
8 THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH, HEART AND LUNG INSTITUTE. IN
9 2011, HE ESTABLISHED CAL STATE'S L.A. HONORS COLLEGE WHICH
10 PREPARES STUDENTS TO ADDRESS THE MOST PRESSING CHALLENGES
11 FACING SOCIETY, TO BECOME CRITICAL THINKERS AS WELL AS LEADERS
12 IN THEIR FIELD. HIS LEADERSHIP AND INFLUENCE HAS RESULTED IN
13 THE CREATION OF THE LUCKMAN JAZZ ORCHESTRA IN CAL STATE'S L.A.
14 HONOR SOCIETY. BUT IN A SCHOOL THAT I HAPPEN TO BE ONE OF THE
15 FOUNDING FATHERS OF, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR
16 THE PERFORMING ARTS, CAROLINE AHMANSON AND I AND A FEW WERE
17 PUTTING THIS SCHOOL TOGETHER, DR. ROSSER, THE STATE CAMPUS
18 FACILITIES THERE, CAME FORWARD AND SAID THAT HE WOULD LIKE AND
19 WOULD ENCOURAGE TO HAVE THAT FACILITY BE LOCATED AT CAL STATE
20 LOS ANGELES. THAT VISION THAT HE HAD ALLOWED US TO MOVE
21 FORWARD WITH THE SCHOOL, A HIGH SCHOOL WHERE TODAY THE
22 CHILDREN, THE YOUNG PEOPLE SCORE IN THE 90 PLUS PERCENTILE
23 ACADEMICALLY STATEWIDE. IT'S A SCHOOL OF CHOICE. IT'S A SCHOOL
24 OF CHOICE. AND THEY GO ON TO CAREERS, HIGHER EDUCATION AND
25 THEN IN CAREERS IN THE PERFORMING ARTS, AND SOME OF THE GREAT



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1 CREATIVE ARTISTS THAT WE HAVE TODAY IN SOUND, STAGE, AND MUSIC
2 ARE GRADUATES OF THAT L.A. HIGH SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS. BUT
3 DR. ROSSER CAME FORWARD, AND AS A RESULT OF THAT WE APPRECIATE
4 THAT LEADERSHIP AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A DEDICATION OF THE
5 NEW PART OF THAT FACILITY, THEY BUILT A NEW ADDITION NEXT TO
6 THE LUCKMAN CENTER IN THE SAME ARCHITECTURE, IN THE BRICK TO
7 MATCH THE UNIVERSITY. AND JIM HAS JUST BEEN A GOOD, GOOD ROLE
8 MODEL, A GOOD LEADER AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO BE A FRIEND OF
9 HIS AND TO ALSO BE AN ALUMNUS FOR THE UNIVERSITY. AND I WAS
10 JUST TELLING HIM ABOUT ANNA BABAJIAN, HOW WELL HE HAS DONE AS
11 A GRADUATE FROM THAT UNIVERSITY. SO ANYWAY, DR. JIM ROSSER,
12 GOD BLESS YOU AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. WE HOPE YOU
13 STAY INVOLVED FOR MANY MORE YEARS. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **JIM ROSSER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IT'S BEEN MY
16 GREAT PLEASURE FOR A LITTLE OVER THREE DECADES TO SERVE THIS
17 REGION AND TO SERVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHAT'S MUCH MORE
18 IMPORTANT IS THE COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP THAT WE'VE
19 ENJOYED WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE CRIME LAB IS
20 LOCATED ON THE CAMPUS OF CAL STATE LOS ANGELES. WE'RE THE ONLY
21 PUBLIC UNIVERSITY IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WITH TWO HIGH
22 SCHOOLS LOCATED AND INTEGRAL TO THE INSTITUTION. IT'S BEEN OUR
23 COMMITMENT TO ENSURE THAT DIVERSITY AND EXCELLENCE GO HAND-IN-
24 HAND, AND WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF
25 THE SUPERVISORS AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS WITHIN LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY. SO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF CAL STATE LOS ANGELES FOR
2 THIS RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, WE HAVE A LITTLE -- THIS IS A -- THIS IS
5 PAUL RABINOV WHO IS GOING TO BE RECOGNIZED. HE'S OUR
6 COMMISSIONER FOR FOUR YEARS OF DEDICATED TO THE SANTA MONICA
7 MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THIS WAS ESTABLISHED
8 BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE BACK IN 1980. THEY HAVE
9 HELPED TO PRESERVE OVER 69,000 ACRES OF PARK LAND IN BOTH
10 WILDERNESS AND URBAN SETTINGS. THEY HAVE IMPROVED MORE THAN
11 114 PUBLIC RECREATIONAL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN
12 CALIFORNIA. THEY HAVE GIVEN GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
13 FOR EDUCATIONAL AND INTERPRETATION PROGRAMS SERVING THE
14 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN AND OTHER VISITORS TO OUR
15 PARK. HE'S BEEN A RESIDENT OF CRESCENTA VALLEY FOR THE LAST 26
16 YEARS AND COFOUNDER OF THE CRESCENTA VALLEY CLEAN AND GREEN.
17 IN FACT, THIS PAST SATURDAY, WE HAD THE BIG CELEBRATION OF
18 ARBOR DAY. OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS, CLEAN AND GREEN HAS
19 PLANTED HUNDREDS OF TREES AND PICKED UP TONS OF TRASH IN
20 CRESCENTA VALLEY. AND CRESCENTA VALLEY AND THE TOWN COUNTY AND
21 THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN A REAL GOOD REPRESENTATIVE OF
22 THOSE PEOPLE REPRESENTING THOSE AREAS LIVING IN THAT AREA.
23 IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH THEM AND REPRESENT THEM. SO,
24 PAUL, CONGRATULATIONS. HE DID A PHENOMENAL JOB. WE HAD A
25 NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT TWO STRIKES PARK ON SATURDAY, AND THE



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1 FEATURED SPEAKER WAS OUR SHERIFF, WHO TALKED ABOUT TREES.
2 [APPLAUSE.] EVERY FOUR YEARS WE ALTERNATE WITH THE ALTADENA
3 TOWN COUNCIL WITH THE LA CRESCENTA VALLEY, AND THAT'S HOW WE
4 CHANGE THOSE MEMBERS. SO PAUL, YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

5

6 **PAUL RABINOV:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FIRST, THANK YOU FOR THIS
7 HONOR AND THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING THE
8 COMMUNITIES OF LA CRESCENTA AND ALTADENA. AND THANK YOU FOR
9 BEING SUCH A TREMENDOUS SUPPORTER OF OPEN SPACE IN THE ENTIRE
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS MY COMMUNITY. THANKS.

11 [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, THIS LITTLE PUPPY, HE HAD HIS PLUMBING
14 REMOVED, HE'S NAMED DIESEL. SO HE HAS NO GAS. HIS NAME IS
15 DIESEL. HE'S A FLAT COAT RETRIEVER MIX. THIS IS LITTLE DIESEL.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** HE'S ALL HYPER NOW. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF YOU LIKE HUGS AND KISSES, DIESEL IS YOUR
20 PUPPY. ANYWAY, HE'S 12 WEEKS OLD. HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. I
21 HAVE THREE OF THEM. OKAY, 562-728-4610. AND HE'D LOVE TO GIVE
22 YOU A BIG KISS.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK SO. NOT TODAY. NOT
25 AFTER ALL THAT. YEAH, WE'RE GOING TO SEEK TO GET THE MEETING



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1 BACK UNDER CONTROL NOW. LET THE RECORD REFLECT THAT THE CHAIR
2 HAS LOST COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE MEETING. [LAUGHTER.] AND THAT
3 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAS SHOWN HER PRIORITIES. A BIG ROUND OF
4 APPLAUSE FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

5

6 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
7 BOARD, WE HAVE FOUR PUBLIC HEARINGS TODAY. SO IF WE COULD GO
8 TO THOSE FIRST. AND THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS WOULD BE TO
9 SWEAR EVERYBODY IN. SO ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE
10 THE BOARD ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR
11 RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
12 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
13 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?
14 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 1, AND THIS
15 IS THE HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING THE COUNTY
16 CODE TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION TO ADD CHAPTER 2.165 TO IMPLEMENT
17 A REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR ALL TAX AGENTS PRACTICING IN LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM.
19 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT THERE
20 ARE SOME SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AS WE CALL
23 YOUR NAME IF YOU'D BE KIND ENOUGH TO COME FORWARD. GWENDOLYN
24 EVANS, ERIC PREVEN, ROBERT SPERLING, AND ARNOLD SACHS. THOSE
25 ARE THE FOUR PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD. THE PUBLIC COMMENT



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1 PORTION ON THIS MATTER WILL BE CLOSED AFTER THOSE FIVE VOTES -
2 - THOSE FOUR PERSONS HAVE TESTIFIED.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** DO YOU MIND ME JUMPING IN, SIR? YOU TELL ME.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** GWENDOLYN EVANS? ERIC PREVEN,
7 ROBERT SPERLING, ARNOLD SACHS, IN THAT ORDER. MS. EVANS, THE
8 FLOOR IS YOURS.

9

10 **GWENDOLYN EVANS:** GOOD MORNING. I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
11 TIME TODAY. WE'D LIKE TO ESPECIALLY THANK DON KNABE FOR HIS
12 OFFICE HAS WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH US ON THIS PARTICULAR
13 ORDINANCE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR TIME. WE AT RYAN
14 AND COMPANY, WE SUPPORT A STATEWIDE CONSISTENCY WITH THE TAX
15 AGENT REGISTRATION. SO WE SUPPORT CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL
16 1151 AND IT IS OF OUR OPINION THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD TAKE A
17 LOOK AT THIS PARTICULAR BILL, MAKE SURE IT INCORPORATES ALL OF
18 THE ISSUES THAT THEY ARE CONCERNED WITH, AND IN LIEU OF
19 IMPLEMENTING A SEPARATE ORDINANCE, JUST FOLLOW THAT PARTICULAR
20 BILL. THE BILL IS BEING HEARD TOMORROW BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
21 COMMITTEE, AND ON MONDAY IT WILL BE HEARD BY THE ASSEMBLY
22 REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE. THERE ARE PROVISIONS IN THE
23 BILL THAT ADDRESS ALMOST EVERYTHING THAT'S IN YOUR ORDINANCE.
24 AND WE UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY TO PUT YOUR PROVISIONS IN PLACE.
25 BUT WHEN A.B.1151 IS PASSED, IT WOULD CREATE A STATE PRE-



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1 EMPTION, WHICH MEANS IF YOU IMPLEMENT YOUR ORDINANCE AND THE
2 STATE BILL PASSES, THEN, YOU KNOW, YOU'VE INVESTED TIME AND
3 MONEY AND EFFORT IN A PROJECT THAT WOULD REALLY BE LED BY THIS
4 PARTICULAR BILL. WE WOULD RECOMMEND AND SUPPORT A JANUARY 2013
5 IMPLEMENTATION IF THAT WILL ASSIST YOU IN MEETING YOUR NEEDS
6 FROM A TIMELINE PERSPECTIVE. YOUR ORDINANCE REFERENCES
7 IMPLEMENTATION AS OF JULY 2013. WE'RE A LITTLE CONCERNED WITH
8 THAT IMPLEMENTATION DATE BECAUSE IF IT'S NOT FULLY IMPLEMENTED
9 BY THAT DATE, OUR CONSULTANTS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO SERVE OUR
10 CLIENTS. AND THAT'S A MAJOR ISSUE FOR US. SO THOSE ARE OUR
11 CONCERNS WITH THE ORDINANCE. THIS IS OUR POSITION ON THE
12 ORDINANCE. AND I'M JUST SHARING THAT FOR THE RECORD. THANK
13 YOU.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE
16 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND FOR A LITTLE CONTEXT,
17 THIS IS A TAX AGENT REGISTRATION ORDINANCE THAT THE COUNTY HAS
18 PUT FORWARD, THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE BROUGHT IT FORWARD. THE
19 STATE-ISSUED 1151 WHICH IS BROUGHT FORWARD BY PHIL TING, AS
20 THE WOMAN WHO SPOKE BEFORE ME MENTIONED, IS BEING HEARD THIS
21 WEEK. SO I FEEL THAT THIS IS PREMATURE TO PUSH THROUGH FOUR
22 JOBS IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO OVERSEE THIS STUFF. WE'RE
23 TALKING ABOUT BOARD SPECIALISTS, I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY THE
24 SALARIES. I REMEMBER THAT THE NUMBER IS APPROXIMATELY THREE OR
25 \$400,000 ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, IT MAY EVEN BE A LITTLE BIT MORE.



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1 I THINK THIS IS GOING A LITTLE CART OUT IN FRONT OF THE HORSE.
2 THE OTHER, THE BIG QUESTION I THINK THAT THE PUBLIC IS
3 WONDERING, APPRECIATE THE TWO MINUTES THERE, THE BIG QUESTION
4 I THINK THAT THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN WONDERING IS WHAT IS GOING ON
5 WITH THE NOGUEZ CASE? JOHN NOGUEZ OF COURSE WAS THE COUNTY
6 ASSESSOR. AND THE COUNTY ASSESSOR RAN INTO SOME DIFFICULTY,
7 AND NOW THE BIG REACTION SEEMS TO BE IN THE DIRECTION OF TAX
8 AGENTS. THERE WAS ONE IN PARTICULAR WHO WAS OBVIOUSLY
9 IMPLICATED, I THINK THERE MAY HAVE BEEN SOME OTHERS. WE'RE
10 WAITING TO SEE A REPORT BACK FROM A GROUP CALLED STRATEGICA, I
11 BELIEVE IT IS, THAT ARE GOING TO LOOK AT THE 19 PERCENT OR 20
12 PERCENT REDUCTION GROUP, A GROUP THAT RECEIVED 20 PERCENT OR
13 LARGER REDUCTIONS ARE GOING TO BE SCRUTINIZED. BUT AT THE
14 MOMENT WE'VE HEARD NOTHING. NOGUEZ IS OUT ON BAIL. HE MANAGED
15 TO RAISE THE MONEY, APPARENTLY. I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY FOLKS
16 HELPED HIM THERE OR WHAT THE SYMPATHIES MAY OR MAY NOT BE.
17 FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE PUBLIC, THOUGH, I THINK THAT
18 POURING MORE MONEY INTO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE WHO IS CURRENTLY
19 OVERSEEING THE LOBBYIST ORDINANCE, WHICH A VERY SIMILAR
20 ORDINANCE TO THIS TAX AGENT REGISTRATION ORDINANCE, VERY
21 SIMILAR IN THAT THEY SET OUT GUIDELINES FOR THE MANNER IN
22 WHICH INFLUENCE CAN BE CONDUCTED DOWN HERE AT THE BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS. NOW, I AM SOMETHING OF AN EXPERT ON THAT FIELD
24 BECAUSE I DO PAY ATTENTION TO THE WAYS AND COMPANIES WHO ARE
25 INFLUENCING QUITE AGGRESSIVELY DOWN HERE AT THE BOARD. AND I'M



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1 CONCERNED. I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE IN 2012, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
2 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAD ZERO
3 ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR REGARDING LOBBYING.
4 NOW, LOBBYING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS ROBUST. IT'S LARGER
5 THAN THE LOBBYING THAT GOES ON I BELIEVE IN LOS ANGELES CITY.
6 AND YET THEY HAVE A FULL DIVISION THAT IS QUASI INDEPENDENT.
7 I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THEY'RE FULLY INDEPENDENT OVER AT THE
8 L.A. CITY ETHICS COMMISSION, BUT I HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR SOME
9 FORM OF SERIOUS LOOK AT THESE ISSUES. AND I DON'T THINK THAT
10 SIMPLY ADDING A FEW MORE EMPLOYEES TO THE SAME OPERATION IS
11 REALLY WHAT WE NEED. AND I WOULD ASK THAT THE BOARD GO ALONG
12 WITH THE STATE LEGISLATION THAT MR. TING PUT FORWARD THAT
13 WOULD ADEQUATELY REGULATE THIS CONDUCT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **ROBERT SPERLING:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR THE
18 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. MY NAME IS ROBERT SPERLING. I'M
19 THE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE OF TAXPAYER
20 ADVOCATES. AND I'LL TRY TO BE BRIEF BECAUSE WE AGREE WITH MOST
21 OF THE SENTIMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPRESSED ALREADY ABOUT
22 ASSEMBLY BILL 1151. WE'D LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT COUNTY COUNSEL
23 BELIEVES THERE IS A STRONG LIKELIHOOD THAT IF ENACTED,
24 A.B.1151 WOULD PRE-EMPT THE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE. SO ALL THE
25 MONIES AND THE EFFORTS EXPENDED WOULD PERHAPS NOT BENEFIT THE



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1 COUNTY AT THAT POINT. I'D ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT ONCE
2 AGAIN THE ENACTMENT DATE OF JULY 1ST OF 2013 SEEMS TO US TO BE
3 A VERY DIFFICULT PROPOSITION. AND IF NOT MET, THE UNINTENDED
4 CONSEQUENCE OF THAT WOULD BE THAT TAXPAYERS IN THIS COUNTY WHO
5 HAVE APPEALED THEIR ASSESSMENTS AND WHO ARE INTERESTED IN
6 APPEALING THEIR ASSESSMENTS WOULD NOT BE AFFORDED THE
7 REPRESENTATION THAT IS ALLOWED THEM BY LAW IN L.A. COUNTY. AND
8 WE THINK THIS WOULD BE A DIRE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE IF THIS
9 ORDINANCE IS ENACTED TODAY. SO WE ASK THAT YOU HOLD OFF AND
10 KEEP AN EYE ON A.B.1151 BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT ADDRESSES THE
11 ISSUES THAT CONCERN THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
14 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. FINAL SPEAKER ON THE ITEM.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
17 LEGISLATE, REGULATE. IT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP REGARDING THE
18 ACTIONS WITH THE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. HAVE YOU DONE
19 ANYTHING TO REGULATE, TIGHTEN THE REGULATIONS? I ALSO LOOK AT
20 WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE COLISEUM. YOU HAVE THE COUNTY
21 REGISTRAR-RECORDER HERE LISTED IN YOUR ITEM ON THE AGENDA, AND
22 YET THE PERSON AT THE COLISEUM WAS ABLE TO USE BASICALLY A
23 MAILBOX AS A DROP FOR AN ADDRESS AND COLLECT FUNDS WHILE
24 BUSINESS AS USUAL WAS TAKING PLACE. WELL, AND U.S.C. WAS
25 WINNING, SO THAT WAS IMPORTANT. BUT HOW ABOUT REGULATIONS? HOW



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1 ABOUT TIGHTENING REGULATIONS BEFORE YOU DECIDE TO DO MORE
2 LEGISLATING? WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THE FEES? WHAT'S THE
3 PURPOSE? WHERE WILL THEY BE ALLOCATED? WILL THEY BE ALLOCATED
4 TO DO MORE REGULATING? TO DO MORE CHECKING UP? TO MAKE SURE
5 JUST LIKE WITH THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING A
6 FAIR SHAKE? WE KNOW THAT IT WILL BE 3, 4, OR 5 YEARS BEFORE
7 ANYTHING COMES TO LIGHT BECAUSE OF ALL THE INFORMATION THAT
8 HAS TO BE REDACTED FROM ALL THE ACCESSORY REPORTS. DO YOU
9 HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT HE WAS JUST CHANGING THOSE FEW TAX
10 PROPERTIES FOR HIS BENEFIT AND NO OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS IN
11 THE COUNTY BENEFITED FROM HIS OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE THOSE, FOR
12 PEOPLE TO MAKE DONATIONS? I GOT MAGIC BEANS IF MY POCKET,
13 ANYBODY WANT TO SEE THEM? THE STATE FUNDING, THE STATE BILL,
14 WILL THAT REQUIRE A FUNDING MANDATE? AND SUPERVISOR
15 ANTONOVICH, AS YOU'RE ALWAYS HAPPY TO REPORT, THAT THE STATE
16 MAKES LEGISLATION BUT DOESN'T FUND THOSE MANDATES. WHERE WILL
17 THE FUNDING COME FROM IF THE STATE LEGISLATION IS PASSED? HOW
18 WILL THEY -- WELL, WE KNOW THE BUDGET IS BALANCED BASED ON
19 PROP 30 WHICH ALSO HAPPENED TO PAY FOR THE RE-ALIGNMENT
20 PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY. BUT WILL THEY ADD ANOTHER TAX TO FUND
21 MORE LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE THE REGULATION THAT ALWAYS SEEMS
22 TO FALL ON THE PUBLIC'S SHOULDERS. THANK YOU. SAVED YOU 30
23 SECONDS HERE.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE APPRECIATE IT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** IN ALL DUE RESPECT, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DIDN'T
7 DO ANYTHING UNTIL WE BROUGHT THIS TO THEIR ATTENTION. AND SO
8 WE'RE TRYING TO GET OUT AHEAD OF THE CURVE. WE DO HAVE AN
9 ELECTION FOR ASSESSOR NEXT YEAR. AND SO WE'RE JUST TRYING,
10 WORKING WITH THE INDUSTRY. HERE'S WHAT I'LL DO. I WILL
11 CONTINUE THE ITEM ONE MORE WEEK AND GIVE THAT COMMITTEE A
12 CHANCE TOMORROW TO HEAR IT. THEY SAY THIS EVERY WEEK. EVERY
13 WEEK THEY SAY THEY'RE GOING TO HEAR THE ITEM, THEY'RE GOING TO
14 HEAR THE ITEM. WE'LL WAIT ONE MORE WEEK AND THEN I THINK WE
15 WILL PROCEED WITH OUR ACTION. SO I WILL MOVE CONTINUANCE FOR
16 ONE WEEK.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, NEXT ITEM,
19 PLEASE.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS A HEARING
22 TO CONSUMMATE THE COUNTY'S ACQUISITION OF FEE TITLE CONSISTING
23 OF APPROXIMATELY 10 ACRES OF UNDEVELOPED LAND IN THE CITY OF
24 LANCASTER FOR \$125,700 FOR THE GENERAL WILLIAM J. FOX AIRFIELD



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1 CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 77025. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT
2 AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE NOTICE THAT THERE
5 ARE TWO PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD
6 SACHS IN THAT ORDER IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD, GENTLEMEN.

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
9 IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3, AND I
10 WILL BE EXTREMELY BRIEF. THIS APPEARS TO BE A LITTLE LAND
11 ACQUISITION NEAR THE AIRPORT, THE FOX FIELD AIRPORT, FOX
12 AIRFIELD. YOU KNOW SEQUESTRATION HAS RESULTED IN SOME
13 REDUCTIONS IN AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS. AND I KNOW THERE'S
14 CONCERN IN SOME OF OUR DISTRICTS, CERTAINLY AT THE WHITEMAN
15 AIRPORT AND I'M PRETTY SURE THAT THIS AIRPORT ABOUT THE
16 FUNDING SOME OF SOME OF THESE, FRANKLY, CONTROL TOWERS. WE'RE
17 FACING SOME CUTS IN FEDERAL MONEY, SO THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
18 BE MADE UP. THIS IS NOT EXACTLY THAT. WHAT THIS IS, HOWEVER,
19 IS \$218,000 COST TO THE COUNTY TO PICK UP A BUFFER PIECE OF
20 LAND OUT BY THAT AIRPORT. WHEN YOU BREAK DOWN THE \$218,000,
21 THE EYEBROW GOES UPWARD. BECAUSE IF I READ IT CORRECTLY, AND
22 YOU'LL CHECK BECAUSE IT WASN'T ATTACHED TO THE BOARD ITEM THAT
23 THEY GAVE ME HERE BUT I SAW IT ONLINE, THERE IS A \$60,000
24 CHARGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THIS TRANSFER,
25 FOR THIS ACQUISITION. AGAIN, THEY'RE NOT BUILDING ANYTHING



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1 THERE. THEY'RE SIMPLY TRANSFERRING IT. THERE'S A, IF I'M NOT
2 MISTAKEN, \$30,000 APPRAISAL FEE. NOW, MOST ORDINARY MEMBERS OF
3 THE PUBLIC, WHEN THEY SEE AN APPRAISAL FEE OF \$30,000, THEY
4 HAVE TO REMOVE THEMSELVES FROM THE CEILING PANEL AFTER THAT
5 BECAUSE THAT'S TOO MUCH MONEY FOR AN APPRAISAL OF A PIECE OF
6 BUFFER LAND THAT HAS BEEN ON A PLAN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. SO I
7 WOULD URGE THE BOARD TO LOOK AT THIS CLOSELY. OBVIOUSLY THE
8 TRANSFER IS CONCEIVABLE. I DON'T THINK THAT GIVEN THE
9 SHORTFALLS IN OUR AIRPORT FUNDING, ESPECIALLY THESE SMALLER
10 AIRPORTS THAT SERVICE MANY OF THE LOCAL PILOTS WHO ACTUALLY
11 GET OUT THERE, I'M CONCERNED. GOOD LUCK. THANKS.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. MY CONCERNS WITH
16 THIS COME DOWN TO THE BOTTOM LINE HERE WHERE IT SAYS THEY WILL
17 ACCEPT THE DEED CONVEYING TITLE TO THE COUNTY. AND YET DOES
18 THAT MEAN JUST AS AN EXAMPLE, I LOOK AT ONTARIO AIRPORT. THE
19 DEED WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE CITY OF L.A. BUT THE DISCUSSIONS
20 GOING ON AT THE SALE OF ONTARIO AIRPORT INVOLVE LOS ANGELES
21 INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. THE CITY HAS THE DEED. THE COUNTY WILL
22 HAVE THE DEED. THAT MEANS THEY OWN IT. WHY WOULD, AS AN
23 EXAMPLE AGAIN, ONTARIO AIRPORT NEGOTIATE WITH L.A.W.A.?
24 THEY'RE NOT THE DEED HOLDERS. WHY ISN'T THE COUNTY BOARD
25 STEPPING UP AND SAYING ANYTHING? YOU'RE GOING TO USE YOUR SAME



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1 ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS HERE, ANOTHER DEED BEING TRANSFERRED,
2 WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? DOES THAT MEAN THAT THE OWNERSHIP WILL
3 EVENTUALLY TURN OVER TO FOX AIRFIELD? WILL THE COUNTY PAY FOR
4 THAT SO THAT THE PRIVATE AIR FIELD WILL NOW TAKE OWNERSHIP OF
5 THE PROPERTY LIKE WHAT'S HAPPENED WITH ONTARIO AIRPORT? AND
6 REGARDING THE ESCROW FEES THE \$30,000 APPRAISAL FEE, THAT'S
7 ALMOST KEEPING IT IN LINE, I MEAN, YOU'VE HAD TWO ITEMS ON
8 YOUR AGENDA THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS REGARDING A 10 PERCENT
9 ADMINISTRATION FEE FOR GRANTS, FOR \$300,000 GRANTS. SO 10
10 PERCENT ADMINISTRATION FEE, A \$30,000 APPRAISAL FEE? B.F.D. I
11 MEAN, IF YOU CAN HANDLE THIS LITTLE AIRPORT, WHY DON'T YOU
12 STEP UP AND SAY SOMETHING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON WITH LOS
13 ANGELES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND THE DEALINGS AT ONTARIO
14 AIRPORT? I KNOW. IT'S NOT YOUR PREROGATIVE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** WE'RE ON RECORD. WE ARE ON RECORD IN SUPPORTING
17 THE PURCHASE BY THE CITY OF ONTARIO. THE MOTION'S BEEN BROUGHT
18 IN. YOU MUST HAVE BEEN LATE FOR THE MEETING. YOU'RE HERE EVERY
19 WEEK.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT, SIR, THEY'RE NEGOTIATING WITH LOS ANGELES
22 WORLD INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. AND THE DEED BELONGS TO THE CITY.
23 YOU HAVEN'T MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT THAT. ADDRESS THAT AND I
24 WON'T HAVE TO ADDRESS THE DIFFERENTIAL THAT OCCURS WHEN YOU
25 SEE THINGS LIKE THIS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. ANOTHER 26 SECONDS.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I'M SETTING A RECORD TODAY.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE DOING WELL, THANK YOU.

11 ALL RIGHT. THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC COMMENT. MEMBERS OF THE

12 BOARD, ARE THERE ANY COMMENTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS MATTER?

13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES. SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS. IF

14 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. THEN

15 LET'S MOVE TO ITEM 3.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE DE NOVO

18 COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2006-00533, LOCATED AT

19 15003 MULBERRY DRIVE, IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH

20 WHITTIER, APPLIED FOR BY HSIEGH NIRANI ON BEHALF OF HOSSIEN

21 RASH. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER, AND

22 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND I BELIEVE THERE ARE A COUPLE

23 OF PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE DO HAVE TWO PERSONS WISHING
2 TO BE HEARD AFTER THE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION. SHARIF JUMA AND
3 ARNOLD SACHS. MR. SACHS DO YOU WISH TO WAIVE ON THIS ITEM? MR.
4 SHARIF JUMA, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. WE'LL HEAR FROM THE
5 DEPARTMENT AT THIS POINT. PLEASE PROCEED, LADIES. ONCE AGAIN
6 WE'LL NEED TO TURN ON THE MICROPHONES. YOU MAY GO NOW.

7

8 **IRIS CHI:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
9 MY NAME IS IRIS CHI WITH THE ZONING PERMITS NORTH SECTION OF
10 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS
11 THE PROPOSAL TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A SELF-SERVE
12 AUTOMATIC CAR WASH ON APPROXIMATELY 16,000 SQUARE FOOT VACANT
13 PARCEL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY ZONED COMMERCIAL
14 PLAN DEVELOPMENT WHICH DOES NOT ALLOW FOR AUTOMATIC CAR
15 WASHES. THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A ZONE CHANGE TO C-3,
16 UNLIMITED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, ALONG WITH A
17 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO IMPLEMENT THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AS
18 PART OF THE D.P. ZONE PLAN OVERLAY FOR THE AUTOMATIC CAR WASH.
19 THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO ENSURE THAT ALL
20 DEVELOPMENT ON THE SUBJECT PROPERTY CONFORMS TO THE PLANS
21 SUBMITTED WHEN SUCH PLANS ARE A CRITICAL FACTOR IN THE
22 DECISION TO REZONE. ANY FUTURE CHANGES TO THE USE OF THE
23 PROPERTY OTHER THAN THOSE SPECIFICALLY ALLOWED IN THE
24 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WILL REQUIRE A NEW C.U.P. AND
25 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. THE C.U.P. WAS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL



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1 PLANNING COMMISSION ON JANUARY 9, 2013, AND THE ZONE CHANGE
2 WAS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION TO YOUR BOARD.
3 THERE WERE TWO PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT.
4 THE PROJECT IS LOCATED AT 15003 MULBERRY DRIVE IN THE
5 COMMUNITY OF SOUTH WHITTIER, SUNSHINE ACRES. IT IS COMPATIBLE
6 WITH THE SURROUNDING AREA AS THERE ARE RESIDENTIAL AND
7 COMMERCIAL USES IN THE VICINITY. THE PROPOSED CAR WASH WILL BE
8 SUFFICIENT BUFFERED FROM RESIDENTIAL USES BY THE IMMEDIATE
9 NEIGHBORING COMMERCIAL USES AND THE INTERSECTION OF TWO MAJOR
10 HIGHWAYS, MULBERRY DRIVE AND LA MIRADA BOULEVARD. COUNTY
11 PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE AND PUBLIC HEALTH WERE CONSULTED AND
12 RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS.
13 STAFF RECEIVED AN OPPOSITION LETTER FROM A RESIDENT YESTERDAY.
14 THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE GOALS AND POLICIES
15 SET FORTH IN THE COUNTY-WIDE GENERAL PLAN. THEREFORE, IT IS
16 RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD, AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, ADOPT A
17 NEGATIVE DECLARATION, AND INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE
18 THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO AFFIRM THE REGIONAL PLANNING
19 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND ADOPT
20 THE ZONE CHANGE. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

21
22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
23 PRESENTATION. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM PUBLIC SPEAKERS. SIR?



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1 **SHARIF JUMA:** I'M ONLY HERE TO ANSWER IF YOU GUYS HAVE ANY
2 QUESTIONS.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE NO QUESTIONS. IF YOU
5 WISH TO TESTIFY OTHERWISE, THE FLOOR IS YOURS TO DO SO.

6

7 **SHARIF JUMA:** I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. MR.
10 SACHS?

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12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES. VERY QUICKLY, TWO THINGS. ACTUALLY THE
13 FACILITY IS LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY.
14 AND NUMBER 2, BASED ON THE FACT THAT IT WAS TESTIFIED THAT THE
15 FACILITY WILL BE LOCATED AT AN INTERSECTION OF TWO MAJOR
16 HIGHWAYS, WILL THERE BE ANY UPGRADES TO THE HIGHWAYS REQUIRED?
17 ANY IMPROVEMENTS? ANY SIDEWALKS? ANY LANES TO TURN IN AND OUT
18 FOR TRAFFIC? I RECALL THAT THERE WAS AN IMPROVEMENT MADE IN EL
19 SEGUNDO WHERE THE LIGHT POLES WERE TAKEN DOWN, THE UTILITIES
20 WERE MOVED FOR A DEVELOPMENT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, AN EXTRA
21 LANE WAS ADDED, AND THEN THE SHOPPING CENTER WENT IN. SO
22 BASICALLY THE PUBLIC PAID FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HIGHWAY.
23 I'M JUST LOOKING TO FIND OUT: WILL THE PUBLIC BE PAYING FOR
24 ANY KIND OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE THIS ROAD, EITHER OF THE



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1 ROADS, OR WILL THAT BE A REQUIREMENT AS FAR AS THE ZONING FOR
2 THE BUILDING OF THE CAR WASH? THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT CLOSES THE
5 PUBLIC HEARING. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS
6 OR COMMENTS THAT NEED TO BE CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION ON THIS
7 ITEM? HEARING NONE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE UNLESS
9 THERE ARE OBJECTIONS ON THE ITEM? SUPERVISOR KNABE? IT'S BEEN
10 MOVED, SECONDED, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 3. ITEM 4, PLEASE.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 4, THIS IS THE DE NOVO
13 HEARING ON PROJECT NO. TR0685654, LAND USE AND ZONING MATTERS
14 RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 UNIVERSAL CITY PLAZA IN
15 THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IDENTIFIED AS UNIVERSAL CITY ON THE
16 COUNTY'S ZONE DISTRICT MAP. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
17 CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
18 SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

19

20 **KIM SZALAY:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

23

24 **KIM SZALAY:** MY NAME IS KIM SZALAY, SPECIAL PROJECTS SECTION OF
25 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. TO MY RIGHT IS STEVE



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1 BERG, THERE HE IS, PUBLIC WORKS REPRESENTATIVE. AND HE'S WITH
2 PUBLIC WORKS. THE APPLICANT, UNIVERSAL CITY STUDIOS, L.L.C.,
3 IS PROPOSING THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN ALTERNATIVE
4 10, NO RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVE. THE ENTITLEMENTS REQUESTED ARE
5 SPECIFIC PLAN, PLAN AMENDMENT, ZONE CHANGE, DEVELOPMENT
6 AGREEMENT, CONSIDERATION OF A CERTIFIED E.I.R. AND ADOPTION OF
7 COUNTY MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, COUNTY
8 C.E.Q.A. FINDINGS OF FACT AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING
9 CONSIDERATIONS. ALL UPDATES TO THESE DOCUMENTS, AS DIRECTED BY
10 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, ARE INCLUDED. THE EVOLUTION
11 PLAN PROPOSES APPROXIMATELY 1.88 MILLION NET NEW SQUARE FEET
12 OF VARIOUS MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT USES TO THE EXISTING
13 UNIVERSAL STUDIOS COMPLEX. THE UNIVERSAL STUDIO-SPECIFIC PLAN
14 IS COMPRISED OF ZONING REGULATIONS THAT PROVIDE CONTROLS
15 SPECIFIC TO THE PROJECT SITE AND WOULD BE ADOPTED BY
16 ORDINANCE. THE SPECIFIC PLAN GUIDELINES PROVIDE DESIGN
17 PRIORITIES, GUIDING PRINCIPLES AND IMPLEMENTATION GUIDANCE FOR
18 USE OF THE SPECIFIC PLAN AND WOULD BE ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION.
19 AN ADDITIONAL CORRECTION TO THE SPECIFIC PLAN ORDINANCE IS AS
20 FOLLOWS: SECTION 15 (C) 10 OF THE SPECIFIC PLAN CURRENTLY
21 READS, "IN OFFICE BUILDINGS GREATER THAN FOUR STORIES IN
22 HEIGHT AND ABUTTING LANKERSHIM BOULEVARD, THE PROPERTY OWNER
23 SHALL IMPLEMENT, AT THE PROPERTY OWNER'S ELECTION, ONE OF THE
24 FOLLOWING FEATURES TO REDUCE THE VISIBILITY OF INTERIOR LIGHTS
25 OF OFFICES FACING NORTH OR WEST AFTER 10 P.M. THE PHRASE, "ONE



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1 OF THE FOLLOWING FEATURES," WOULD BE AMENDED TO READ, "ONE OR
2 A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING FEATURES." AND THE PHRASE,
3 "REDUCE THE VISIBILITY OF INTERIOR LIGHTS" WOULD BE AMENDED TO
4 READ "REDUCE THE VISIBILITY OF ALL INTERIOR LIGHTS." THE
5 REQUEST ALSO INCLUDES THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WHICH PROVIDES
6 PUBLIC BENEFITS BEYOND THOSE OFFERED BY THE PROJECT AND
7 GUARANTEES DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO THE APPLICANT FOR THE 25-YEAR
8 LIFE OF THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT. A DRAFT E.I.R. WAS JOINTLY
9 PREPARED BY THE CITY AS LEAD AGENCY AND THE COUNTY AS
10 RESPONSIBLE AGENCY THROUGH AN ESTABLISHED MEMORANDUM OF
11 UNDERSTANDING. THE JOINT JURISDICTION PUBLIC MEETING WAS HELD
12 ON DECEMBER 13, 2010 BY THE COUNTY'S HEARING EXAMINER AND THE
13 CITY'S HEARING OFFICER. PUBLIC TESTIMONY WAS TAKEN ON THE
14 DRAFT E.I.R. DURING PUBLIC CIRCULATION OF THE DRAFT E.I.R.
15 ALTERNATIVE 10 WAS DETERMINED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
16 PROCESS TO BE THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SUPERIOR ALTERNATIVE AND
17 ALSO PROVIDES FOR SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT AND EXPANSION OF
18 EMPLOYMENT IN IMMEDIATE TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY SECTORS OF THE
19 REGIONAL ECONOMY. THE FINAL E.I.R. WAS CERTIFIED BY THE CITY
20 OF LOS ANGELES AS LEAD AGENCY ON NOVEMBER 14, 2012. THE PUBLIC
21 HEARING WAS HELD BEFORE THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON
22 FEBRUARY 27, 2013. THE COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY MADE A
23 RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER THE
24 CERTIFIED E.I.R., APPROVE THE PROJECT ENTITLEMENTS AND ADOPT
25 THE COUNTY'S MITIGATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM,



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1 C.E.Q.A. FINDINGS AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING
2 CONSIDERATIONS. PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF THREE ACRES OF
3 UNIVERSAL CITY PROPERTY FROM THE COUNTY'S TO THE CITY'S
4 JURISDICTION AND DETACHMENT OF 30 ACRES OF UNIVERSAL CITY
5 PROPERTY FROM THE CITY'S JURISDICTION TO THE COUNTY'S WOULD
6 TAKE PLACE AFTER BOARD HEARINGS, ACCORDING TO PROCESSES BY THE
7 LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION KNOWN AS L.A.F.C.O. THIS
8 CONCLUDES MY REPORT.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
11 WE HAVE AN ADDITIONAL REPORT AT THIS POINT IN TIME AND THOSE
12 WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SLIDE SHOW PRESENTATION, IF YOU
13 WOULD COME FORWARD SO THAT YOU CAN BE RECOGNIZED, GIVE YOUR
14 NAME, YOUR RANK AND YOUR SERIAL NUMBER AS YOU SPEAK, AND WE'LL
15 PROCEED. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE DO HAVE APPROXIMATELY 30
16 PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD. AND OUR SPEAKERS WILL BE
17 ACCOMMODATED ACCORDINGLY. YES, MA'AM. PLEASE PROCEED. I DON'T
18 THINK YOUR MIC-- JUST ONE MOMENT, PLEASE. PLEASE IDENTIFY
19 YOURSELF. JUST A MOMENT. WE'RE GOING TO ASK THAT THE TECHNICAL
20 SUPPORT BE ASSESSED SUCH THAT WE CAN HEAR THOSE WHO ARE AT THE
21 CENTER TABLE.

22

23 **CORINNE VERDERY:** GOOD MORNING, CORINNE VERDERY, I'M THE CHIEF
24 REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING OFFICER FOR N.B.C.
25 UNIVERSAL. WE'D LIKE TO START OUR PRESENTATION WITH A VIDEO.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. PLEASE PROCEED.

3

4 **ANNOUNCER (ON VIDEO):** NEARLY A CENTURY AGO, CARL LAEMMLE
5 UNLOCKED THE GATES TO HOLLYWOOD'S NEWEST STUDIO BEFORE 10,000
6 CHEERING FANS. UNIVERSAL CITY WAS TO BE THE MOVIE-MAKING
7 CAPITAL OF THE WORLD. LAEMMLE EQUIPPED IT WITH EVERYTHING
8 UNDER THE SUN. SETS, COSTUMES, EVEN A ZOO. SENSING THE
9 PUBLIC'S EAGERNESS FOR THE MOVIES, HE INVITED AUDIENCES TO THE
10 BACK LOT FOR A GLIMPSE OF FILM MAKING IN ACTION. IN THESE 100
11 YEARS, WHOLE WORLDS HAVE COME ALIVE ON THE SOUND STAGES AND
12 BUILDINGS OF UNIVERSAL CITY.

13

14 **DR. FRANKENSTEIN (ON VIDEO):** IT'S ALIVE! IT'S ALIVE! HE'S
15 ALIVE! (SCREAMING).

16

17 **TOM HANKS (ON VIDEO):** WE'RE A GO FOR LAUNCH.

18

19 **RON HOWARD (ON VIDEO):** WHEN I THINK OF UNIVERSAL MOVIES, YOU
20 QUICKLY GO TO THESE SORT OF BIG, AMAZING ENTERTAINMENTS.

21

22 **SPEAKER (ON VIDEO):** I'M SPARTACUS. I AM SPARTACUS.

23

24 **RON HOWARD (ON VIDEO):** ALL THE GREAT MONSTERS OF STEVEN
25 SPIELBERG MOVIES.



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2 **ROY SCHEIDER (ON VIDEO):** YOU'RE GOING TO NEED A BIGGER BOAT.

3

4 **STEVEN SPIELBERG (ON VIDEO):** MAKING MOVIES WAS MY NEED AND

5 COMING TO UNIVERSAL WAS A DREAM COME TRUE FOR ME. LOOKING

6 BACK, THE BACK LOT WAS SYMBOLIC FOR HOLLYWOOD.

7

8 **ANNOUNCER (ON VIDEO):** ON UNIVERSAL'S LOT, FANTASY BECAME REAL.

9 TERRIFYING MONSTERS LURKED IN THE CORNERS OF THE COURT OF

10 MIRACLES. A CREATURE FROM THE BLACK LAGOON HID BENEATH THE

11 DEPTHS OF PARK LAKE AND HUNDREDS OF LEGIONNAIRES ASSEMBLED ON

12 SPARTACUS SQUARE. THREE MISCHIEVOUS CHILDREN PLAYED ON THE

13 STEPS OF COURTHOUSE SQUARE. THAT SAME SQUARE TRAVELED THROUGH

14 TIME AND BECAME THE ELECTRIFYING KEY BACK TO THE FUTURE. THESE

15 LOCATIONS ARE RESHAPED AND REINVENTED YEAR AFTER YEAR IN

16 MOVIES AND TELEVISION SERIES.

17

18 **SPEAKER (ON VIDEO):** AND ACTION!

19

20 **ANNOUNCER (ON VIDEO):** CONTINUING TO SERVE AS CHARACTERS IN

21 HOLLYWOOD PRODUCTIONS EVERY SINGLE DAY.

22

23 **PAUL RUDD (ON VIDEO):** WE SHOOT ON THE LOT AND THEN YOU LOOK

24 OVER AND THERE'S JAWS. AND THEN YOU LOOK A LITTLE BIT FURTHER

25 AND IT'S A DR. SEUSS VILLAGE. WHAT A FUN PLACE TO WORK!



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2 **ANNOUNCER (ON VIDEO):** CARL LAEMMLE'S DREAM OF INVITING THE
3 PUBLIC ONTO HIS FILM SETS INSPIRED THE UNIVERSAL STUDIOS TOUR
4 IN 1964. TODAY THE THEME PARK IS ONE OF THE GREAT
5 ENTERTAINMENT ATTRACTIONS IN THE WORLD.

6

7 **STEVEN SPIELBERG (ON VIDEO):** PEOPLE WHO LOVE MOVIES CAN
8 ACTUALLY BE A HERO IN REAL SPACE AND REAL TIME, INTERACTING
9 ABOUT THESE FULL SIZE RIDES.

10

11 **ANNOUNCER (ON VIDEO):** AND NOW THE ENORMOUSLY POPULAR "THE
12 WIZARDING WORLD OF HARRY POTTER" IS ON ITS WAY TO UNIVERSAL
13 STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD TO BECOME A NEW DESTINATION FOR WIZARDS AND
14 MUGGLES OF ALL AGES.

15

16 **RON HOWARD (ON VIDEO):** I FELT THERE WAS SOMETHING LUCKY ABOUT
17 BEING INVOLVED IN A PROJECT AT UNIVERSAL.

18

19 **RON HOWARD (ON VIDEO):** ACTION!!

20

21 **SPEAKER (ON VIDEO):** I NEED TO BELIEVE THAT SOMETHING
22 EXTRAORDINARY IS POSSIBLE.

23

24 **STEVEN SPIELBERG (ON VIDEO):** THIS WILL ALWAYS BE MY ANCESTRAL
25 ROOTS. I LOVE IT HERE. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **CORINNE VERDERY:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING US TO BE
3 HERE TODAY. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE COUNTY LEADERSHIP,
4 INCLUDING SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND COUNTY STAFF FOR THEIR
5 HARD WORK AND GUIDANCE. TODAY REPRESENTS A SIGNIFICANT
6 MILESTONE FOR THIS PROJECT, ONE THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD
7 TOWARDS FOR NEARLY A DECADE. WE STAND HERE WITH A CERTIFIED
8 E.I.R., A UNANIMOUS APPROVAL FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND
9 A UNANIMOUS RECOMMENDATION FROM THE REGIONAL PLANNING
10 COMMISSION. WE HAVE OVERWHELMING SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT WITH
11 MORE THAN 7500 SUPPORTERS. WE HAVE EARNED THE ENDORSEMENT FROM
12 OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST, AND TWO OF OUR
13 CLOSEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS, GREATER TOLUCA LAKE AND STUDIO
14 CITY, AS WELL AS NUMEROUS HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS AND COUNTLESS
15 BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS. MANY OF OUR SUPPORTERS ARE HERE TODAY,
16 AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THEM TO STAND NOW AND BE RECOGNIZED.
17 THANK YOU. I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD OF ALL THAT WE HAVE
18 ACCOMPLISHED AND KNOW THAT THIS IS A DIRECT RESULT OF N.B.C.
19 UNIVERSAL'S REACH OUT, LISTEN AND MORE IMPORTANTLY RESPOND TO
20 THE COMMUNITY, THE CITY AND COUNTY. THIS BEGAN WITH OUR
21 DECISION AS PART OF THE FINAL E.I.R. TO ELIMINATE NEARLY 3,000
22 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TOTALING 3 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF
23 DEVELOPMENT TO PRESERVE THE BACK LOT FOR PRODUCTION. WE MADE
24 THIS DECISION IN DIRECT RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,
25 COUNCILMAN LABONGE, AND THE COMMUNITY. AND THAT WAS JUST THE



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1 START. THIS IS A COMPLICATED PROPERTY WITH 391 ACRES THAT
2 RESIDES IN BOTH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND FOR
3 NEARLY 100 YEARS THE COMMUNITY HAS GROWN UP AROUND US WITH THE
4 CITY ON NEARLY ALL EDGES AND THE COUNTY IN THE CENTER
5 REPRESENTING 75 PERCENT OF THE PROPERTY. BECAUSE OF OUR
6 LOCATION, OUR COMMUNITY IS DIVERSE AND THEIR ISSUES ARE UNIQUE
7 DEPENDING UPON THEIR PROXIMITY TO THE PROPERTY. WE HAVE HAD
8 OVER 200 MEETINGS TO UNDERSTAND OUR NEIGHBORS' ISSUES, AND AT
9 EVERY STEP IN THE PROCESS, WE MADE CHANGES, BOTH BIG AND
10 SMALL. WE HAVE AGREED TO STRICTER NOISE REGULATIONS FOR
11 EXISTING AND FUTURE OPERATIONS THAT WILL REQUIRE A MULTI-
12 MILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT BY OUR COMPANY IMMEDIATELY. WE HAVE
13 SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF SIGNAGE, REDUCED HEIGHT OF
14 PROPOSED OFFICE BUILDINGS AND EVEN MET WITH NEIGHBORS TO
15 SELECT TREES TO SCREEN OUR PROPERTY. WE HAVE ALSO AGREED TO
16 INVEST MORE THAN 13.5 MILLION TO HELP REALIZE THE OVERALL
17 RIVER AND BIKE PLANS FROM GRIFFITH PARK TO STUDIO CITY AND
18 CREATE A NEARLY 1-ACRE PARK ALONG THE RIVER. IN TOTAL, OUR
19 COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY REPRESENT MORE THAN 100 MILLION IN
20 TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS AND A TOTAL OF 1.6
21 MILLION TO HELP PROTECT AND IMPROVE THE NEIGHBORHOODS CLOSEST
22 TO THE PROPERTY. BEYOND THE COMMUNITY BENEFITS, THE FUTURE OF
23 THIS PROPERTY HAS ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT JOBS AND THE GROWTH OF THE
24 ENTERTAINMENT AND TOURISM INDUSTRIES BOTH KEY SECTORS OF LOS
25 ANGELES'S ECONOMY. IT IS A PLACE THAT PROVIDES DIVERSE JOBS,



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1 QUALITY JOBS AND UNION JOBS. AS ONE OF THE LARGEST EMPLOYERS
2 IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WE ARE PROUD OF OUR RELATIONSHIP
3 WITH OUR UNIONS, WITH UNIONS. TODAY WE HAVE OVER 30 UNIONS AND
4 LOCALS WORKING ON THE PROPERTY. AND IN THE FUTURE, THIS
5 PROJECT WILL BE BUILT WITH UNION LABOR THROUGH A PROJECT LABOR
6 AGREEMENT. [APPLAUSE.] FINALLY, THE EVOLUTION PLAN IS A
7 POWERFUL ECONOMIC ENGINE THAT CAN MAKE A DRAMATIC IMPACT ON
8 THE ENTIRE REGION. WE STAND READY TO INVEST 1.6 BILLION IN LOS
9 ANGELES, AND WE SUPPORT -- AND WITH YOUR SUPPORT, WE ARE READY
10 TO BEGIN THIS SUMMER. IN TOTAL, THE EVOLUTION PLAN WILL CREATE
11 2 BILLION IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY DURING CONSTRUCTION -- EXCUSE
12 ME DURING OPERATIONS AND 2.7 BILLION DURING CONSTRUCTION AND
13 CREATE OVER 30,000 JOBS DURING CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS.
14 AND IN THE COUNTY ALONE, THE PROJECT WILL BRING A NEW HOTEL
15 AND GENERATE -- OVERALL GENERATE 15 MILLION IN NEW REVENUES
16 EVERY YEAR. WE UNDERSTOOD FROM DAY ONE THAT A PROJECT OF THIS
17 STATURE CAME WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO LISTEN AND RESPOND AND
18 THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE HAVE DONE. WE WORKED HARD TO MEET THE
19 NEEDS OF OUR NEIGHBORS IN A WAY THAT WILL FULFILL THE NEEDS OF
20 OUR BUSINESSES RIGHT HERE IN THE HEART OF L.A. I RESPECTFULLY
21 ASK FOR YOUR APPROVAL TODAY. WITH ME I HAVE GEORGE MIHLSTEN
22 AND MARIA HOYE FROM LATHAM & WATKINS, AND WE ARE AVAILABLE TO
23 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS EITHER NOW OR AT THE CONCLUSION. WE CAN
24 COME BACK AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
2 FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL PROCEED TO THE BALANCE OF THOSE WHO
3 WISH TO BE HEARD AND THEN WE WILL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR
4 YAROSLAVSKY AFTERWARDS, AT WHICH TIME MEMBERS OF THE BOARD MAY
5 ELECT TO POSE QUESTIONS. BUT FOR NOW, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
6 PRESENTATION.

7

8 **CORINNE VERDERY:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
11 WE HAVE SEVERAL PERSONS WHO DO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THIS
12 MATTER, APPROXIMATELY 30 SUCH INDIVIDUALS. AND SO WE'RE GOING
13 TO PROCEED. WE REQUEST THAT YOU BE MINDFUL OF THE VOLUME IN
14 YOUR REMARKS. WE BEGIN WITH CORINNE VERDERY. OH THAT WAS
15 CORINNE. GEORGE MIHLSTEN, HE WAIVES AGAIN. MARIA PILAR HOYE.
16 ALL RIGHT. WE'RE DOING WELL SO FAR. [LAUGHTER.] AND ANASTASIA
17 MANN. LEWIS MACADAMS. PLEASE COME QUICKLY, PLEASE. GENE HALE.
18 JIM ADAMS. OMAR BROWNSON. PLEASE PROCEED MA'AM.

19

20 **ANASTASIA MANN:** YES, I'M ANASTASIA MANN, PRESIDENT OF THE
21 HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. FIRST OF ALL, THANK
22 YOU ALL FOR WHAT YOU DO FOR OUR COMMUNITY. WE APPRECIATE YOU
23 AND YOUR MANY YEARS VERY MUCH. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THIS
24 PROJECT NOW SINCE ITS OPEN INCEPTION TO THE COMMUNITY. IT WAS
25 VERY CONTROVERSIAL IN THE BEGINNING. WE HAD A LOT OF PROBLEMS.



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1 MY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ENCOMPASSES THE AREA OF THE PROJECT
2 ALONG WITH COUNTY LAND. WE REPRESENT ABOUT 65,000 HOMES AND
3 BUSINESSES. WE THINK IT'S ABOUT 200,000 PEOPLE. AND ABOUT
4 199,000 OF THEM SPOKE UP IN THE INITIAL STAGES OF THIS
5 PROJECT. AND THERE WAS A LOT OF CONTROVERSY. AND I WANT TO
6 COMMEND UNIVERSAL, N.B.C. UNIVERSAL, AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE
7 INVOLVED IN HOW FAR THEY'VE GONE WITH THE COMMUNITY TO TRY TO
8 REACH COMPROMISE AND MAKE DECISIONS THAT HAVE HELPED TO BRING
9 A UNANIMOUS SUPPORT FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FOR THE
10 PROJECT AS IT NOW STANDS. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
11 CONSIDERATION. WE HOPE YOU WILL SUPPORT IT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
14 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. SIR?

15

16 **LEWIS MACADAMS:** MY NAME IS LEWIS MACADAMS. I'M THE PRESIDENT
17 OF FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, AND I'M HERE TO URGE YOU
18 TO SUPPORT THE UNIVERSAL PLAN. I'VE WORKED ALONG THE LOS
19 ANGELES RIVER FOR SOMETHING LIKE 27 YEARS AND NEVER HAVE WE
20 WORKED MORE CLOSELY AND WITH BETTER RESULTS THAN WITH
21 UNIVERSAL TO MAKE THIS PROJECT HAPPEN. NOT ONLY DOES IT CREATE
22 A BIKE PATH ALONG UNIVERSAL AND THE RIVER BETWEEN UNIVERSAL
23 AND THE RIVER, BUT WITH THE UNIVERSAL SUPPORT, IT WILL SUPPORT
24 THE PLANNING AND DESIGN FOR A BIKE PATH ALONG THE RIVER ALL
25 THE WAY FROM STUDIO CITY TO GRIFFITH PARK, SOMETHING THAT WE



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1 COULD ONLY HAVE DREAMED OF UNTIL THE LAST FEW MONTHS TO WORK
2 THIS OUT. I THINK THAT ABOVE ALL THIS SETS THE TONE. THERE ARE
3 MANY MEDIA COMPANIES ALONG THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. THIS IS THE
4 FIRST ONE TO REALLY COME TO THE PUBLIC WITH A PLAN TO MAKE THE
5 LOS ANGELES RIVER A BETTER PLACE FOR US ALL. IT SETS A VERY
6 HIGH BAR FOR THE REST OF THE MEDIA INDUSTRY WHEN THEY START TO
7 RENEW THEIR PROJECTS ALONG THE RIVER. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
8 WORKING WITH THEM AS RICHLY AND WITH SUCH GREAT SATISFACTION
9 AS WITH UNIVERSAL ON THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
12 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE, AND WE CALL UPON LISA SARKIN FOLLOWED BY
13 TREE LOCKIE AND THEN ED DUFFY. SIR.

14

15 **GENE HALE:** GOOD MORNING SUPERVISORS. THANKS FOR THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU TODAY. MY NAME IS GENE HALE, I'M
17 CHAIRMAN OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHAMBER
18 OF COMMERCE. I'M HERE TO CONVEY OUR FULL SUPPORT FOR THE
19 N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS PLAN
20 WILL CREATE THOUSANDS OF JOBS FOR NOT ONLY THE LOCAL
21 COMMUNITY, BUT REGION WIDE. IT'S A VERY ECONOMIC STIMULUS TO
22 THIS AREA. AND WE BELIEVE ALSO THERE SHOULD BE GREAT
23 OPPORTUNITIES TO ASSIST OUR RETURNING VETERANS THAT ARE IN
24 NEED OF WORK. AND ALSO, IT SHOULD CREATE MANY SUBCONTRACTING
25 OPPORTUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE REGION. WE UNDERSTAND TOO THAT



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1 THE PRIMARY GOALS OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBER IS TO CREATE
2 THOSE TYPES OF OPPORTUNITIES, AND THE GOALS OF THIS PROJECT
3 SEEMS TO BE ALIGNED WITH OUR GOALS. SO WE CERTAINLY SUPPORT
4 THIS AND WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
7 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **JIM ADAMS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
10 MY NAME IS JIM ADAMS, I'M A COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE LOS
11 ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTY BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADE COUNCIL.
12 AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MR. RON MILLER, WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE
13 SECRETARY OF THE COUNCIL. OUR COUNCIL REPRESENTS 140,000
14 WITHIN 52 LOCAL UNIONS AND 14 TRADES. WE ARE STRONG SUPPORTERS
15 OF THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PROJECT. WE HAVE SEEN IT
16 THROUGH THE MANY STEPS OF APPROVAL AND I'M PROUD TO BE HERE
17 TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF IT. WITH THE OUTSOURCING OF THE
18 MOTION PICTURES AND TELEVISION BUSINESS, IT IS A TRIBUTE TO
19 N.B.C. UNIVERSAL THAT THEY HAVE A PLAN TO REINVEST IN THE
20 COMMUNITY AND STRENGTHEN THEIR COMMITMENT FOR A GOOD COMMUNITY
21 PARTNER. THEY'RE KEEPING GOOD PAYING, MIDDLE-CLASS JOBS IN LOS
22 ANGELES. THIS PROJECT WILL CREATE 30,000 JOBS OVER THE NEXT 10
23 YEARS OF CONSTRUCTION UNDER AN ALL-UNION PROJECT LABOR
24 AGREEMENT WITHIN THE BUILDING TRADES. THESE JOBS ARE PART OF
25 CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION. THEY ALLOW PEOPLE TO SEND THEIR KIDS



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1 TO COLLEGE, TO HAVE BENEFITS AND A GOOD, SECURE RETIREMENT.
2 YOU WILL SEE AROUND WE HAVE MANY REPRESENTATIVES OF OUR
3 AFFILIATED LOCAL UNIONS PRESENT. WE'RE STILL FACING HIGH
4 UNEMPLOYMENT IN OUR TRADES. THIS PROJECT COULD NOT COME AT A
5 BETTER TIME. WITH YOUR APPROVAL, IT COULD START AS SOON AS
6 THIS SUMMER. OUR MEMBERS SEE THE NEWS AND ON T.V. AND ALL THE
7 PROJECTS IN THE WORKS AT LOS ANGELES. THEY HAVE ONE QUESTION
8 FOR US: WHEN DO THE PROJECTS START? LET'S TELL THEM IT'LL
9 START SOON. THE BUILDING TRADES URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR N.B.C.
10 UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PROJECT. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
13 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **OMAR BROWNSON:** MY NAME IS OMAR BROWNSON, I'M THE EXECUTIVE
16 DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER REVITALIZATION CORPORATION.
17 ON BEHALF OF COALITION OF RIVER AND BIKE ADVOCATES, WE'D LIKE
18 TO SUPPORT THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL PROJECT. MEMBERS OF THAT
19 COALITION INCLUDE IN ADDITION TO FRIENDS OF THE LOS ANGELES
20 RIVER, THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS, THE LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY BIKE COALITION, MUJERES DE LA TIERRA, NORTHEAST TREES,
22 THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, URBAN RIVERS INSTITUTE AND URBAN
23 _____. SOME GREAT ORGANIZATIONS, AND IN PART THEIR SUPPORT IS
24 BECAUSE THIS HELPS TO FULFILL THE LOS ANGELES RIVER GREENWAY,
25 A FUNDAMENTAL PART OF THE COUNTY'S RIVER MASTER PLAN. THIS IS



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1 AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE 51 MILES ALONG ONE OF THE LARGEST,
2 LONGEST URBAN GREENWAYS IN THE COUNTY AND THIS IS GOING TO
3 HELP US TREMENDOUSLY, THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU ARE FOR YOUR
6 TESTIMONY, NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **LISA SARKIN:** LISA SARKIN, STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL.
9 I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT AND THE CHAIR OF THE LAND USE
10 COMMITTEE. UNIVERSAL NEGOTIATED WITH OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN
11 A WAY THAT NO OTHER PROJECT HAS EVER DONE BEFORE AND THEY
12 CREATED THE BEST POSSIBLE PROJECT. THEY INCLUDED COMMUNITY
13 BENEFITS CONTROLLED BY THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THEY CREATED THIS
14 BIKE PATH THAT EVERYBODY WANTS AND TO HAVE IT EXTEND ALL THE
15 WAY INTO STUDIO CITY WAS JUST THE BEST POSSIBLE THING THAT WE
16 COULD EVER HAVE HAD. THEY AGREED TO NUMEROUS QUALITY OF LIFE
17 ISSUES SUCH AS NOISE, VISUAL AND TRAFFIC MITIGATION THAT
18 YOU'VE ALREADY HEARD ABOUT. THE COMPROMISES HAVE CREATED A
19 PROJECT TO BRING A WORLD CLASS VACATION DESTINATION THAT THE
20 COMMUNITIES CAN LIVE WITH. THE STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD
21 COUNCIL FULLY SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION
22 EXPANSION. THANK YOU.

23



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE GOING
2 TO CALL FOR STEWART WALDMAN, JUDITH MARLIN, GUY MCCREARY.
3 PLEASE PROCEED. MA'AM?

4

5 **TREE LOCKIE:** MY NAME IS TREE LOCKIE I'VE LIVED IN THE BLAIR
6 DRIVE COMMUNITY FOR 60 YEARS. I'M RETIRED FROM L.A. COUNTY
7 HEALTH SERVICES AFTER 40 YEARS OF SERVICE. I'M NOT REPRESENTED
8 BY ANY GROUP OR LEGAL COUNSEL NOR ARE MY NEIGHBORS. I'VE BEEN
9 A MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY HOMEOWNERS ORGANIZATION SINCE THE
10 EARLY '90S AND AM STILL AN ACTIVE BOARD MEMBER. ONE OF MY
11 ROLES AS A BOARD MEMBER HAS BEEN TO WORK WITH THE UNIVERSAL
12 MONITORING PROJECT. THIS INCLUDES RECENT MEETINGS THAT HAVE
13 BEEN HELD AT MY HOME TO EDUCATE NEIGHBORS ABOUT THE UNIVERSAL
14 EVOLUTION PLAN. UNIVERSAL STAFF HAS ALSO ATTENDED TO EXPAND ON
15 ANY ISSUES OF CONCERN. THROUGHOUT THE YEARS I'VE WORKED WITH
16 DIFFERENT OWNERS OF UNIVERSAL AND MEETINGS DESIGNATED TO
17 ADDRESS AND MITIGATE CONCERNS FOR NEIGHBORS. IT'S THROUGH
18 THESE EXPERIENCES THAT I'VE COME TO APPRECIATE THE CURRENT
19 OWNERS OF UNIVERSAL. BECAUSE OF THE MITIGATIONS AGREED UPON IN
20 RESPONSE TO THE EVOLUTION PLAN AND MY BELIEF IN THE CURRENT
21 MANAGEMENT, I AM ENDORSING THE APPROVAL OF THE UNIVERSAL
22 EVOLUTION PLAN.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
25 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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ED DUFFY: HI, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS ED DUFFY. I'M
VICE PRESIDENT OF TEAMSTERS LOCAL 399 WHO REPRESENTS DRIVERS,
TOUR DRIVERS, LOCATION MANAGERS, CASTING DIRECTORS AND OTHERS
WORKING IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EXPANSION PLAN AND THE COMPANY'S DECISION TO
TURN ITS ATTENTION TO MAKING THEIR STUDIO AND THEME PARK
BUSINESSES BETTER. IN THESE ECONOMICALLY COMPETITIVE TIMES FOR
THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IN OUR STATE AND THE TREMENDOUS JOB
LOSSES WE'RE SUFFERING THROUGH DUE TO INCENTIVES OFFERED BY
OTHER STATES AND COUNTRIES, WE'RE GLAD TO SEE THAT THEY ARE
POURING THEIR INVESTMENT DOLLARS INTO AN INDUSTRY THAT EMPLOYS
SO MANY OF OUR MEMBERS. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT MUCH OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMY DEPENDS ON THE ENTERTAINMENT
INDUSTRY. AND IT'S NOT JUST THE JOBS FOR THOSE OF US IN THE
INDUSTRY, IT'S ALSO THE COUNTLESS SUPPORT COMPANIES AND
VENDORS THAT RELY ON THIS SECTOR FOR THEIR LIVELIHOOD. SO
THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. WE'RE ASKING YOU FOR YOUR APPROVAL TODAY
SO THAT WE COULD SEE THE BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT IN THE FORM
OF MUCH-NEEDED JOBS FOR ALL OUR MEMBERS AND ALL THE ECONOMIC
BENEFITS THAT HOLDS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

22

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN: AND WE THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER,
PLEASE.

25



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1 **STEWART WALDMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. I'M STEWART WALDMAN,
2 I'M PRESIDENT OF THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION,
3 V.I.C.A. WE HAVE OVER 380 BUSINESS MEMBERS WHO HAVE CREATED
4 OVER 100,000 JOBS IN LOS ANGELES. WE SUPPORT THE V.I.C.A.
5 SUPPORTS N.B.C. UNIVERSAL'S EVOLUTION PLAN. THE EVOLUTION PLAN
6 REPRESENTS A \$1.6 BILLION INVESTMENT IN THE CITY AND COUNTY
7 THAT WILL CREATE MORE THAN 30,000 GOOD PAYING JOBS DURING
8 CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS. THE PROJECT WILL NOT ONLY
9 TRANSFORM THE CURRENT PROPERTY, BUT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE
10 OVERALL APPEAL OF THE UNIVERSAL CITY AND THE LOS ANGELES
11 REGION. UPON COMPLETION, IT WILL BE A WORLDWIDE MODEL FOR
12 TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT, AND INNOVATIVE GREEN
13 DEVELOPMENT. V.I.C.A. ENCOURAGES LONG-TERM PLANNING THAT WILL
14 SIGNIFICANTLY CREATE AND PRESERVE JOBS AND TOURISM IN THE SAN
15 FERNANDO VALLEY. THE 20-YEAR EVOLUTION PLAN IS EXACTLY THIS
16 TYPE OF REGIONAL INVESTMENT. N.B.C. UNIVERSAL HAS BEEN AND
17 CONTINUES TO BE A DEDICATED PROACTIVE MEMBER OF THE SAN
18 FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITY. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE
19 REVISED EVOLUTION PLAN. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE CALL ON DAVID
22 KERSH, RUSSELL NORDSTEDT, GARY OLSON AND WILLIAM BRINKMEYER.
23 MA'AM?



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1 **JUDITH MARLIN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUDY MARLIN. I AM THE
2 PRESIDENT OF THE CAHUENGA PASS PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION.
3 BECAUSE OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL'S OUTREACH TO OUR COMMUNITY, AND
4 THEIR POSITIVE RESPONSE TO OUR CONCERNS REGARDING THE
5 EVOLUTION PLAN, OUR BOARD HAS VOTED TO APPROVE BOTH THE CITY
6 AND COUNTY PORTIONS OF THE PLAN. OF PARTICULAR CONCERN IN
7 REGARD TO THE COUNTY PORTION HAD BEEN THE HEIGHT OF THE
8 PROPOSED DIGITAL SIGN ON UNIVERSAL CENTER DRIVE WHICH HAS NOW
9 BEEN LOWERED TO PROTECT THE VIEWS OF OUR HILLSIDE RESIDENTS,
10 THE CAMOUFLAGE OF ROOFTOP PARKING ON PARKING STRUCTURES WHICH
11 N.B.C. UNIVERSAL HAS AGREED TO MITIGATE BY ADDING A COMBINED
12 TOTAL OF 12-FEET OF PARAPET AND SCREENING TO BLOCK NOISE AND
13 HEADLIGHTS. NUMBER THREE, THE PRESERVATION OF TWO EXISTING
14 TREE AND LANDSCAPED BUFFER ZONES NEAR THE 101 FREEWAY TO ALSO
15 PROTECT VIEWS OF HILLSIDE RESIDENTS. AND FINALLY, N.B.C.
16 UNIVERSAL HAS AGREED TO DESIGNATE A NEW SOUND MONITORING
17 LOCATION ON WOODROW WILSON DRIVE NEAR PASSMORE TO ADD IN THE
18 MONITORING OF MECHANICAL AND AMPLIFIED SOUND. WITH THESE ITEMS
19 OF CONCERN ADDRESSED, THE BOARD OF THE CAHUENGA PASS PROPERTY
20 OWNERS' ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS THE COUNTY PORTION OF THE N.B.C.
21 UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. NEXT.



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1 **GUY MCCREARY:** I'M GUY WOODINGTON MCCREARY. AS A PAST PRESIDENT
2 OF THE CAMPO DE CAHUENGA HISTORICAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION AND
3 THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THAT BOARD AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE
4 UNIVERSAL CITY/NORTH HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND A
5 CURRENT DIRECTOR, I'VE BEEN INVOLVED FOR 40 YEARS IN THAT
6 CHAMBER AND IN THIS COMMUNITY OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD. WE ARE IN
7 SUPPORT OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN. I BELIEVE THIS
8 PROJECT IS VITAL TO OUR COMMUNITY AND TO THE CITY AND TO THE
9 COUNTY. AS YOU KNOW, OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY WILL BENEFIT BECAUSE
10 OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL'S COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE FUNDING AND TO
11 SUPPORT THIS BEAUTIFUL PLAN WHICH HAS BEEN PRESENTED ALREADY
12 TODAY IN DETAIL. N.B.C. UNIVERSAL IS MAKING THIS GREAT EFFECT
13 FOR US AND OUR COMMUNITY, THIS EVOLUTION PLAN. I AND MY
14 FRIENDS FULLY SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL AS THEY
15 SEEK YOUR APPROVAL FOR THEIR PROJECT. I AM IN TOTAL AGREEMENT
16 WITH THE PLAN AND URGE YOU TO QUICKLY APPROVE THIS PROJECT.
17 THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **DAVID KERSH:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN AND SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
22 IS DAVID KERSH, I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE CARPENTERS/
23 CONTRACTORS COOPERATION COMMITTEE, A LABOR MANAGEMENT
24 ORGANIZATION COMPRISED OF THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF
25 CAPENTERS AND SIGNATORY UNION CONTRACTORS. THE CARPENTERS HAVE



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1 A LONG-STANDING AND VERY POSITIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH
2 N.B.C. UNIVERSAL. AND I'M HERE TO SHOW OUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR
3 THIS EXCITING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT THAT WILL CREATE MUCH NEEDED
4 JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND WILL STIMULATE THE LOCAL ECONOMY FOR
5 YEARS TO COME. AS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY STATED, THE 20-YEAR
6 PROJECT WILL PROVIDE AN INVESTMENT OF BILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT
7 WILL CREATE MORE THAN 30,000 GOOD PAYING JOBS DURING THE
8 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD AND OPERATIONS. THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN
9 THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY CONTINUES TO BE HIGH. SO WE HAVE A
10 WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY AS A PROJECT, A PRIVATELY FUNDED
11 PROJECT, WHICH HAS BEEN EXTENSIVELY REVIEWED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
12 COMPLIANCE AND WHICH WILL BRING TREMENDOUS ECONOMIC BENEFITS
13 TO THE CITY AND ADDRESS CONGESTION IN THE AREA, IT IS
14 INCUMBENT TO DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO HELP MOVE IT ALONG AS
15 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. IN REGARDS TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY,
16 THE JOBS IT WILL CREATE ARE GOOD PAYING JOBS THAT INCLUDE
17 HEALTHCARE AND PENSION BENEFITS ALONG WITH APPRENTICESHIP
18 TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES TO ENABLE THE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES
19 TO HAVE A CHANCE AT A REWARDING AND PRODUCTIVE CAREER IN THE
20 TRADES. ULTIMATELY, THIS PROJECT IS ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THIS
21 CITY. IT IS ABOUT MAINTAINING AND EXPANDING OUR CRUCIAL
22 ENTERTAINMENT AND TOURISM INDUSTRIES AND ABOUT SECURING A
23 VIBRANT MIDDLE CLASS. THANK YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

2 WE'LL HEAR THE NEXT SPEAKER NOW.

3

4 **RUSSELL NORDSTEDT:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISORS. MY
5 NAME IS RUSS NORDSTEDT. I AM PRESIDENT OF I.A.T.S.E. LOCAL 80.
6 I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE N.B.C. EVOLUTION PLAN. TODAY
7 I REPRESENT 17 ENTERTAINMENT HOLLYWOOD LOCALS AND 35,000
8 MEMBERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. THIS PROJECT WILL BRING THOUSANDS
9 OF JOBS TO LOS ANGELES, MANY OF THEM GREEN JOBS, AND HUNDREDS
10 IF NOT THOUSANDS OF PERMANENT JOBS ONCE THE PROJECT IS
11 FINISHED. THIS IS VERY SIMPLE. IT'S A WIN/WIN FOR JOB CREATION
12 AND A WIN FOR LOS ANGELES. SO, AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT
13 THE I.A.T.S.E. IS IN FAVOR OF N.B.C. EVOLUTION PLAN. THANK
14 YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

17

18 **GARY OLSON:** GOOD MORNING. I AM GARY OLSON, PRESIDENT AND
19 C.E.O. OF THE BURBANK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ON BEHALF OF OUR
20 CLOSE TO 1,000 MEMBERS WITH MORE THAN 40,000 EMPLOYEES, I AM
21 PLEASED TO EXPRESS OUR FULL SUPPORT OF THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL
22 EVOLUTION PLAN. IN RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY INPUT AND CONCERNS,
23 N.B.C. UNIVERSAL IS PRESENTING TO YOU A FINAL PLAN THAT HAS
24 REMOVED THE ORIGINAL RESIDENTIAL COMPONENT OF 2,937 UNIT. THE
25 DELETION OF THIS COMPONENT NOW NARROWS THE FOCUS OF THE



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1 EVOLUTION PLAN DOWN TO THE CORE BUSINESS OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL:
2 TELEVISION, FILM PRODUCTION AND ENTERTAINMENT. IN RECOGNITION
3 OF THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES FACING ALL
4 DEVELOPMENTS, N.B.C. UNIVERSAL DID NOT, AND I STRESS AGAIN,
5 DID NOT, EVEN AFTER REMOVING THE RESIDENTIAL COMPONENT, REDUCE
6 THE FINANCIAL TRANSPORTATION MITIGATION ELEMENT OF THE
7 ORIGINAL PLAN. WE BELIEVE THIS REMAINS A SIGNIFICANT REGIONAL
8 COMMUNITY COMMITMENT BY N.B.C. UNIVERSAL. OUR BURBANK CHAMBER
9 OF COMMERCE IS PLEASED TO SUPPORT THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL
10 EVOLUTION PLAN, AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS YOUR APPROVAL.

11
12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,
13 SIR.

14
15 **WILLIAM BRINKMEYER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M BILL
16 BRINKMEYER. I'M THE BUSINESS MANAGER AND FINANCIAL SECRETARY
17 OF I.B.E.W. LOCAL 40. OUR OFFICE IS LOCATED IN NORTH
18 HOLLYWOOD, AND OUR MEMBERS HAVE BEEN SERVING THE MOTION
19 PICTURE INDUSTRY FOR 90 YEARS. AND THAT'S WHY I'M HERE TODAY,
20 TO EXPRESS I.B.E.W. LOCAL 40'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE N.B.C.
21 EVOLUTION PLAN. YOU HAVE SEEN THE MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY
22 DECLINE IN CALIFORNIA DUE TO TAX INCENTIVES OFFERED IN OTHER
23 STATES IN THE PAST FEW YEARS. N.B.C. IS COMMITTED IN CHANGING
24 THAT AND IS BRINGING THEIR SHOWS BACK TO THE STUDIO LOT. AND
25 THAT'S EVIDENT -- [APPLAUSE.] IT'S EVIDENT BECAUSE YOU CAN'T



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1 EVEN RENT A STAGE FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS. AND THEY'RE PUTTING
2 THEIR MONEY WHERE THEIR MOUTH IS: \$2.2 BILLION TO BE PRECISE.
3 AND THAT'S WHAT MANY OF US RELY TO FEED OUR FAMILIES AND
4 SUPPORT US. JOBS ARE NEEDED IN AMERICA, AND THIS IS WHAT IT'S
5 ABOUT: JOBS, JOBS, JOBS. AND THIS PROJECT WILL CREATE 30,000
6 JOBS. THE JOBS MY MEMBERS NEED TO HELP THE ECONOMY GROW. THIS
7 IS A PLUS FOR THE UNEMPLOYED CONSTRUCTION WORKER. IT'S A PLUS
8 FOR THE MEMBERS OF MY MEMBERS BOTH IN THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE
9 AND PERMANENT JOBS. IT'S A PLUS FOR ALL CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL
10 COMPANIES THAT SUPPLY THE MATERIAL. IT'S A PLUS FOR THE CITY
11 OF LOS ANGELES WHO WILL GET \$100 MILLION WORTH OF ROAD
12 IMPROVEMENTS. AND IT'S A PLUS FOR THE CITY AND THE COUNTY OF
13 LOS ANGELES IN WHICH THEY'LL GET INCREASED TAX REVENUES. IN
14 CLOSING, I SEE ONLY POSITIVES WITH THIS PROJECT AND I CALL ON
15 YOU TO APPROVE THE N.B.C. EVOLUTION PLAN AND THE MEMBERS OF
16 I.B.E.W. LOCAL 40 ARE 100 PERCENT BEHIND IT AND I'D LIKE TO
17 THANK YOU TODAY FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK HERE. AND LET'S
18 GET THIS PROJECT STARTED AND HELP GET AMERICA BACK TO WORK.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
21 [APPLAUSE.] LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE PROTOCOL ON THE BOARD IS
22 THAT IF YOU WISH TO AFFIRM THE SPEAKER WHO YOU ARE LISTENING
23 TO, APPLAUSE IS NOT CUSTOMARILY ACCOMMODATED. JUST SIMPLY
24 RAISE THE ROOF. WE WILL GET THE MESSAGE. THE ROOF, THE ROOF.
25 WE HAVE SEVERAL SPEAKERS TO GO. WE WISH TO CALL FOR YOUR



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1 UNDIVIDED ATTENTION, JOHN HEARTMANN, FRED GAINES, RICK GOMBAR,
2 TOMMY FAABAE, GEORGE BEKEFFY, ROCKY PELLICCINO. SEAN O'GRADY.
3 ALL RIGHT. MAY I ASK YOU TO TAKE YOUR SEATS AND PLEASE BEGIN
4 YOUR TESTIMONY. SIR.

5

6 **FRED GAINES:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FRED GAINES OF THE LAW
7 OFFICES OF GAINES & STACEY. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE
8 BLAIR DRIVE RESIDENTS. THEY DO NOT OPPOSE ONE ADDITIONAL
9 SQUARE FOOT OR ACTIVITY THAT'S BEING PROPOSED. HOWEVER, THEY
10 DO HAVE A VERY SERIOUS ISSUE. THESE ARE THE RESIDENTS WHOSE
11 BACKYARDS, ABOUT 20 PLUS HOMES, LINE THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF THE
12 BACK LOT OF UNIVERSAL. THEY HAVE, IN AN AREA THAT WOULD BE IN
13 THE MIDDLE OF THIS AUDIENCE WITH YOUR BEDROOM BEING RIGHT
14 WHERE YOU'RE SITTING HAVE NO LIMITATION WHATSOEVER ON FILMING
15 ACTIVITY. AND THEY'VE LIVED WITH HELICOPTERS, CAR CHASES,
16 CRASHES, EXPLOSIONS ALL HOURS OF THE DAY AND NIGHT. AND SO
17 WHAT THEY'VE ASKED AND WHAT HAS NOT BEEN DONE IS SOME
18 LIMITATION -- THEY'VE ASKED FOR A BUFFER, CAN THEY BE 300 FEET
19 BACK. THEY'VE ASKED FOR AN HOUR LIMITATION. IS THERE SOME HOUR
20 OF THE DAY OR NIGHT THAT THIS CAN BE LIMITED? AND N.B.C. SO
21 FAR HAS SAID NO. DON'T PUT ANY LIMITATIONS ON US. THAT CAN'T
22 BE LIMITED. BUT ON THE 300-ACRE SITE IN THIS 1 TO 2-ACRE AREA,
23 THESE OWNERS HAVE ASKED FOR A BUFFER. THEY'VE ASKED FOR HOURS.
24 IT'S THE SAME KIND OF CONDITION THAT YOU WOULD PUT INTO ANY
25 KIND OF USE. YOU EARLIER APPROVED A CAR WASH THAT HAS MORE



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1 DETAILED HOUR RESTRICTIONS IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO
2 NEIGHBORHOODS THAN EXISTS HERE. SO WHAT WE ASK IS VERY SIMPLE.
3 PLEASE TAKE THE EXTRA FIVE MINUTES THAT IT WILL TAKE TO SOLVE
4 THIS ACTUAL PROBLEM THAT EXISTS FOR THESE 20 NEIGHBORS. THERE
5 HAS TO BE SOME LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF DAYS THAT THIS KIND
6 OF ACTIVITY TAKES PLACE WITHIN 300 FEET OF THEIR HOUSE. SOME
7 KIND OF LIMITATION ON THOSE HOURS. WE'VE SUGGESTED A CONDITION
8 OF APPROVAL REGARDING THAT. WE ASK FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF
9 THIS VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR THIS VERY SMALL IMMEDIATE GROUP
10 OF NEIGHBORS TO THE PROJECT. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
13 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **TOMMY FAABAE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD CHAIR, RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND
16 FELLOW BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS TOMMY FAABAE. I
17 REPRESENT INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS,
18 LOCAL 11. AND WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL
19 EVOLUTION PLAN. WITH THE DELETION OF THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
20 AGENCY UP AND DOWN THE COAST OF CALIFORNIA, WE LOOK FOR
21 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. AND THIS PROJECT WILL BRING ECONOMIC
22 DEVELOPMENT. IT CAN BRING THE GOOD CONSTRUCTION JOBS THAT ARE
23 WELL DESERVED AND WE LOOK FOR THE PASSAGE OF THIS. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.



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2 **RICK GOMBAR:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS RICK GOMBAR.

3 I LIVE AT 3387 BLAIR DRIVE. I REPRESENT NOT ONLY MYSELF BUT

4 THE BLAIR DRIVE HOMEOWNERS' GROUP. WE ARE THE GROUP THAT IS

5 MOST IMPACTED NEGATIVELY BY THIS PROJECT. FRED GAINES IS OUR

6 ATTORNEY. A COUPLE OF THINGS TO LET YOU KNOW AND BACK UP WHAT

7 HE SAID. OUR GROUP DID A HOUSE-TO-HOUSE SURVEY OF ALL THE

8 HOMES THAT ARE IMPACTED BY THIS PROJECT ALONG BLAIR DRIVE AND

9 ALSO CHARLESTON AND TROY. AND OF THE 37 HOMES THAT WE

10 SURVEYED, 15 OF THEM ARE EITHER OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY

11 UNIVERSAL OR HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PEOPLE AT UNIVERSAL,

12 LEAVING 22 HOMES IMPACTED. OF THE 22 HOMES IMPACTED, EVERY ONE

13 OF THEM, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, FILLED OUT A PETITION FORM AND

14 DETAILED THE NUISANCE THAT THESE PEOPLE GO THROUGH ON A DAILY

15 BASIS. ALL WE ARE ASKING IS THAT WE CAN SIT DOWN WITH THE

16 PLANNING PEOPLE AT UNIVERSAL AND OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND FIGURE

17 OUT A WAY WHERE THEY CAN CONTINUE TO CONDUCT THEIR BUSINESS

18 AND DO FILMING BUT CONDUCT IT IN A WAY THAT IS NOT NEGATIVELY

19 IMPACTING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN

20 SUBJECTED TO HELICOPTERS AT ALL HOURS OF THE NIGHT,

21 EXPLOSIONS, GUN FIRE. ALL OF THESE THINGS STARTLE YOU AWAKE IN

22 THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. AND THE BIGGEST PROBLEM WITH ALL OF

23 THIS IS THEY ARE PERMITTED TO DO THIS 24/7 WITHOUT EXCEPTION,

24 PERIOD. THERE IS NOTHING IN THIS PLAN THAT ALLOWS OUR

25 NEIGHBORHOOD ANY OPPORTUNITY WHATSOEVER TO APPROACH THIS BOARD



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1 AND AMEND THE PROBLEM THAT IS EXISTING. BASICALLY WHAT WE FEEL
2 WHAT'S HAPPENED TO US IS YOU'VE THROWN US TO THE WOLVES AND
3 SAID SINCE WE ELIMINATED THIS \$3,000 RESIDENTIAL COMPONENT,
4 THAT WE'VE GOT ENOUGH TO MITIGATE THIS PROBLEM. THIS BOARD HAS
5 SEEN -- ONE SECOND, PLEASE. THIS BOARD HAS SEEN OVER THE PAST
6 20 YEARS SCORES AND SCORES OF COMPLAINTS, VISUAL COMPLAINTS,
7 ONE TO ONE COMPLAINTS FROM THE NEIGHBORS, WRITTEN COMPLAINTS
8 FOR 20 YEARS. AND IT'S ALWAYS BEEN THE POSITION OF THIS BOARD
9 THAT BECAUSE IT'S NOT IN THE C.U.P., THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN
10 DO. WHAT WE'RE ASKING NOW IS THAT IT GETS PUT IN THE C.U.P. SO
11 THAT WE HAVE SOME RECOURSE WHEN THEY CONDUCT THEIR ACTIVITIES.
12 I'M SUBMITTING TODAY A COPY OF THE PETITION, A COPY OF MY
13 PRESENTATION, MY OWN PERSONAL LETTER REGARDING THIS AND A
14 SYNOPSIS OF ALL THE PETITIONS THAT HAVE BEEN SIGNED BY OUR
15 NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
18 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **GEORGE BEKEFFY:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BY NAME IS
21 GEORGE BEKEFFY. AS SOMEONE WHO LIVES NEAR UNIVERSAL CITY, I
22 HAVE BEEN FOLLOWING THE EVOLUTION PLAN FOR MANY YEARS AND VERY
23 SUPPORTIVE OF N.B.C. UNIVERSAL'S EFFORTS. THE PLAN TO INCLUDE
24 HOUSING IN THE MIDDLE OF UNIVERSAL CITY INITIALLY MADE SENSE
25 TO ME. BUT WITH THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN AND NEW OWNERSHIP, IT



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1 SEEMS THAT THOSE DROPPING THE RESIDENTIAL OPTION SEEMS TO BE
2 REASONABLE NEXT STEP IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD. I KNOW WHAT A
3 GOOD NEIGHBOR UNIVERSAL IS. THEY CARE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY AND
4 THE PROPOSED EVOLUTION PLAN WITH NO RESIDENTIAL INTENDED IS
5 PROOF OF THAT. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO REVIEW THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL
6 EVOLUTION PLAN AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO WE CAN BEGIN TO
7 REALIZE THE ECONOMIC BOOST THE EVOLUTION PLAN WILL BRING.
8 THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
11 CONNIE ELLIOT. TINA HOSSAIN. WILLIAM LUDDY, IF YOU WOULD COME
12 FORWARD. SIR, PLEASE PROCEED. MA'AM?

13

14 **SEAN O'GRADY:** OH, I'M SORRY. SPEAK? MY NAME IS SEAM O'GRADY. I
15 AM A RESIDENT OF STUDIO CITY AND AN ACTOR, AS WELL. AND
16 ESSENTIALLY THE MOVIE SAID EVERYTHING I COULD SAY BECAUSE IT
17 HITS YOU RIGHT IN YOUR HEART BECAUSE THAT'S OUR CULTURE. AND
18 IT EXPRESSES THE MAGIC OF THE MOVIES AND THAT'S WHAT BROUGHT A
19 LOT OF US OUT HERE. AND THAT'S WHAT WE PUT OUT TO THE WORLD.
20 AND MY IDEA OR THOUGHT IS THAT IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL TO BRING
21 ALL THAT PRODUCTION BACK HERE. AND UNIVERSAL IS EXPANDING ON
22 THAT EXPONENTIALLY AND JUST INCREASING ALL THAT MAGIC,
23 ESSENTIALLY, IS WHAT I WANTED TO SAY.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND YOU SAID IT WELL.

2 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **ROCKY PELLICCINO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ROCKY PELLICCINO,

5 I'M VICE PRESIDENT OF SHEET METAL WORKERS LOCAL UNION 105. I

6 REPRESENT SOME 6,000 MEMBERS WITHIN LOS ANGELES, ORANGE

7 COUNTY, RIVERSIDE AND SAN BERNADINO AND ALSO SOME PART OF

8 140,000 MEMBERS ACROSS THIS GREAT COUNTRY OF OURS. GOOD

9 MORNING, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, KNABE, CHAIRMAN THOMAS, GOOD MORNING

10 MR. ANTONOVICH, AND MS. MOLINA. I WAS QUITE MOVED TODAY

11 LISTENING TO BROTHER ELY FOURNIER WHO GAVE THE INVOCATION. AND

12 PART OF HIS INVOCATION WAS ABOUT LEADERSHIP. AND I MUST SAY

13 THAT HIT HOME, NOT ONLY IN MYSELF BUT I'M SURE IT DID TO EACH

14 AND EVERY ONE OF YOU AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHAT OUR

15 RESPONSIBILITIES ARE AS A LEADER AND ALL WHO WE REPRESENT. I

16 MUST SAY IT IS TIME FOR US TODAY TO COME TOGETHER IN A

17 MARRIAGE AND SAY: YES TO THIS N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN.

18 AND THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD AND BRING NOTHING BUT SMILES OF

19 TEARS OF JOY TO MANY A PEOPLE WHO ARE BEGGING FOR A JOB, WHO

20 ARE BEGGING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY UNDER THIS PROJECT LABOR

21 AGREEMENT TO JOIN THE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM AS WE ALL

22 WITNESSED HERE JUST A RECENT OF ALL THE TEARS OF SORROW THAT

23 WE HAVE SEEN ON THE EAST COAST OF THIS COUNTRY OF OURS. TODAY,

24 LET'S UNITE. LET'S COME TOGETHER. LET'S SAY YES TO THIS

25 PROJECT. AND WE CAN MOVE TOGETHER. AND, BROTHERS AND SISTERS,



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1 WHEN THEY SEE IT ON THE NEWS, THEY'LL SEE A RAY OF HOPE FOR
2 THE OPPORTUNITY FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM TO SAY YES, I
3 MAY HAVE A JOB. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]
6 YOU WERE DOING FINE UNTIL YOU INVOKED MARRIAGE AND SO FORTH IN
7 THE DISCUSSION. [LAUGHTER.] NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **CONNIE ELLIOT:** I'M CONNIE ELLIOT, AND ALONG WITH FRANCESCA
10 CORE REPRESENTING THE ISLAND NEIGHBORHOOD. THE CLOSEST
11 NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON LANKERSHIM
12 BOULEVARD. WE SUPPORT THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN. WE
13 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM FURTHER AS CONSTRUCTION GOES
14 FORWARD. OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS MENTIONED IN EXHIBIT G, PARAGRAPH
15 6, A DOCUMENT THAT SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE SPECIFIC PLAN. WE
16 HAVE ALSO BEEN PROMISED CERTAIN AREAS OF COOPERATION THAT ARE
17 NOT LISTED IN THE SPECIFIC PLAN BUT WILL HELP OUR QUALITY OF
18 LIFE AS THEY GO FORWARD WITH THEIR GROWTH PLANS. WE THANK THE
19 COUNTY AND THE OFFICE OF ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, INCLUDING BEN
20 SALTZMAN, FOR HIS PERSISTENCE AND UNYIELDING SUPPORT. WE ALSO
21 ACKNOWLEDGE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL REAL ESTATE'S CORINNE VERDERY AND
22 DARNELL TYLER FOR ALWAYS BEING AVAILABLE TO US. WE VERY MUCH
23 APPRECIATE THEIR HARD WORK IN REACHING AN UNDERSTANDING ABOUT
24 OUR CONCERNS.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
2 NEXT SPEAKER?

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4 **WILLIAM LUDDY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'M WILLIAM LUDDY, I'M
5 REPRESENTING SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS. YOU'VE
6 HEARD FROM OUR LABOR MANAGEMENT GROUP AND YOU'VE HEARD ALL THE
7 GOOD ARGUMENTS. I CAN ADD NOTHING TO IT OTHER THAN TO SAVE
8 TIME AND ASK YOU TO COME TO THE VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS
9 PROJECT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR ELOQUENT
12 TESTIMONY, SIR. THANK YOU.

13

14 **TINA HOSSAIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. IT IS NOON ON THE
15 DO DOT. SO GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS TINA HOSSAIN, AND I'M
16 REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, A
17 CHAMBER WHICH REPRESENTS MORE THAN 1600 BUSINESSES EMPLOYING
18 700,000 INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT OUR REGION IS IN FULL SUPPORT
19 OF THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL EVOLUTION PLAN, NO RESIDENTIAL
20 ALTERNATIVE. AS THE FILM PRODUCTION CAPITAL OF THE WORLD,
21 MAINTAINING A STRONG ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IS VITAL TO OUR
22 REGIONAL ECONOMY. IN CALIFORNIA, THE MOTION PICTURE AND
23 TELEVISION INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTED \$17 MILLION IN WAGES,
24 INCLUDING PRODUCTION, DISTRIBUTION AND A MYRIAD OF VENDOR-
25 RELATED JOBS. N.B.C. UNIVERSAL'S PLANNED UPGRADES TO STUDIO,



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1 THE THEME PARK AND CITY WALK WILL HELP SECURE THE
2 ENTERTAINMENT AND TOURISM INDUSTRIES IN L.A. AND PROVIDE JOBS
3 AND POSITIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT TO OUR ENTIRE REGION. THE PLAN
4 WILL ALSO GENERATE LESS TRAFFIC OVER ITS 20-YEAR LIFETIME
5 INVESTING \$100 MILLION IN TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT
6 IMPROVEMENTS TO IMPROVE OUR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
7 INFRASTRUCTURE AND REDUCE CONGESTION AND POLLUTION. FOR THESE
8 REASONS, THE CHAMBER IS PLEASED TO SUPPORT SUCH RESPONSIBLE
9 AND POSITIVE PLANS FOR GROWTH AND WE URGE THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS TO OFFER THEIR SUPPORT, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE CALL ON
13 NICOLE SHAHENIAN, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN, PATRICK KELLY,
14 AND BILLY SNOW IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. THAT WILL CLOSE THE
15 COMMENT SECTION ON THIS ITEM.

16

17 **NICOLE SHAHENIAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. NICOLE SHAHENIAN WITH THE
18 HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. ON BEHALF OF THE HOLLYWOOD
19 CHAMBER, WHICH REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 1,000 MEMBERS IN THE
20 GREATER HOLLYWOOD AREA, I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE
21 PROPOSED N.B.C. EVOLUTION PLAN. N.B.C. UNIVERSAL IS A VERY
22 IMPORTANT ECONOMIC ENGINE FOR THE REGION AND FOR HOLLYWOOD
23 SPECIFICALLY, BRINGING THOUSANDS OF TOURISTS TO THE AREA AND
24 HELPING TO PROMOTE HOLLYWOOD AS THE ENTERTAINMENT CAPITAL OF
25 THE WORLD. REALIZATION OF THE EVOLUTION PLAN IS IMPORTANT IN



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1 ORDER TO ALLOW N.B.C.U. THE OPPORTUNITY FOR REASONABLE
2 EXPANSION CAPABILITY AND TO ENABLE THE ADDITION OF SUCH
3 EXCITING TOURISM ATTRACTIONS AS "THE WIZARDING WORLD OF HARRY
4 POTTER." THE CHAMBER'S PARTICULARLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS 30,000
5 GOOD- PAYING JOBS THAT THIS \$1.6 BILLION INVESTMENT WILL
6 CREATE FOR LOS ANGELES. IN ADDITION TO GETTING ANGELINOS BACK
7 TO WORK, THE EVOLUTION PROJECT WILL HELP TO BRING ABOUT MUCH
8 NEEDED TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AREA, INCLUDING A NEW
9 SOUTHBOUND ON RAMP TO THE 101 FREEWAY FROM UNIVERSAL STUDIOS
10 AND UPGRADES TO THE ON RAMP AT THE 101 FREEWAY AT HIGHLAND
11 AVENUE. THESE ARE VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY.
12 GIVEN THE CURRENT ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES FACED BY THE COUNTY
13 AND ITS RESIDENTS, THE CHAMBER PLEASE WE SHOULD ALL BE
14 SUPPORTIVE OF A PROJECTS LIKE THIS. JOBS ARE AT STAKE. IF WE
15 CAN'T APPROVE A PROJECT THAT WILL BRING JOBS AND HELP TO TURN
16 OUR ECONOMY AROUND, THEN WE AREN'T FULFILLING OUR
17 RESPONSIBILITY TO ANGELINOS. THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW. WE ASK
18 YOU TO APPROVE THIS.

19
20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
21 FINAL TWO SPEAKERS PLEASE.

22
23 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 AND
24 A RESIDENT OF STUDIO CITY. AND THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN
25 PERCOLATING FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. AND N.B.C. UNIVERSAL TO



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1 THEIR CREDIT HAS DONE A GOOD JOB OF ENGAGING THE LOCAL
2 CONSTITUENTS ABOUT THIS PROJECT AND I SUPPORT IT. THAT SAID,
3 THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME COMPROMISES THAT HAVE TO TAKE PLACE
4 GOING FORWARD. CERTAINLY THIS IS GOING TO -- THE PROVISION OF
5 A NEW ON RAMP/OFF RAMP AT THE FREEWAY IS GOING TO BE A
6 SUBSTANTIAL, CALL IT -- IT'S GOING TO AFFECT OUR LIVES. AND
7 THERE'S ALSO A BIG QUESTION THAT'S SORT OF COME UP ABOUT
8 WHAT'S HAPPENING BIG PICTURE FOR N.B.C. UNIVERSAL AND THEIR
9 PLANS GOING FORWARD BECAUSE THERE IS A FACILITY THAT ALSO
10 BRINGS YOU TO TEARS WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT N.B.C. BURBANK, WHICH
11 IS THE TELEVISION FACILITY NEARBY. AND THE QUESTION, IF THIS
12 GOES FORWARD, ABOUT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO FACILITY I THINK
13 STARTS TO BLINK. AND OBVIOUSLY THEY'RE GOING TO DO WHAT
14 THEY'RE GOING TO DO. BUT THE RESIDENTS HAVE TAKEN NOTE THAT
15 THERE IS A LARGE BUILDING RIGHT OPPOSITE THE N.B.C. BURBANK
16 THAT'S AN EMPTY OFFICE BUILDING WHERE I BELIEVE K.C.E.T. AND
17 FEW OTHERS. SO I JUST HOPE THAT WE'RE NOT DEVELOPING -- I MEAN
18 THE IDEA OF BUILDING AND HOPING THAT THEY WILL COME IS OF
19 COURSE A GREAT IDEA. WE WANT TO PUT PEOPLE TO WORK. AND THIS
20 IS A GREAT WAY TO DO IT. AND WHEN I HEAR \$1.6 BILLION, I'M
21 EXCITED ABOUT THIS KIND OF WORK, NOT BUILDING A NEW JAIL. I
22 APPLAUD N.B.C. UNIVERSAL AND THANK THE BOARD FOR SUPPORTING
23 THIS.

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE. THANK YOU.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.

3 30,000 NEW JOBS IN CONSTRUCTION. I'VE HEARD THAT BEFORE. DOES

4 ANYBODY RING A BELL WHEN I SAY THE DOWNTOWN STADIUM? OH, THAT

5 WAS MORE THAN 30,000 JOBS. HOW ABOUT THE HIGH SPEED RAIL? THAT

6 WAS MORE THAN 30,000 JOBS. HOW ABOUT THE STADIUM IN THE CITY

7 OF INDUSTRY? THAT WAS MORE THAN 30,000 JOBS. HOW MANY JOBS

8 HAVE BEEN CREATED OR ARE WORKING NOW IN ANY OF THOSE THREE

9 PROJECTS? PRODUCTION FACILITIES. IS THERE A BREAKDOWN IN THE

10 AMOUNT OF AREA THAT'S GOING TO BE APPLIED TO THE PRODUCTION

11 FACILITIES? I HEARD ABOUT A NEW HOTEL. HOW ABOUT THE TRANSIT-

12 ORIENTED TAX OCCUPANCY TAX? WILL THAT BE WAIVED LIKE WAS DONE

13 FOR THE HOTEL OVER HERE AT L.A. LIVE? \$1 MILLION FOR PARKS,

14 FOR THE BIKE PATH. YOU KNOW, THAT COULDN'T EVEN BUY A NEW BUS,

15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FROM B.Y.D. THEY ARE \$1.2 MILLION. AND

16 PROPERTY VALUES. I'VE HEARD A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT THE COST OF

17 MONEY BEING INVESTED IN HERE. THE PROPERTY VALUE WILL GO UP.

18 WILL THE PROPERTY TAX GO UP INCREMENTALLY, ALSO? WHAT ABOUT

19 THE COST OF SERVICES FOR POLICE AND FIRE? WHO PAYS FOR THAT?

20 HOW WILL THAT BE MITIGATED? THOSE COSTS AREN'T DISCUSSED IN

21 HERE 'CUZ THOSE ARE THE HIDDEN COSTS THAT FALL ON EVERYBODY'S

22 SHOULDERS. AND THE JOBS THAT WILL BE LEFT AFTER THE

23 CONSTRUCTION ARE JOBS THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE AT STARBUCKS, AT

24 PIZZA HUT, AND THOSE KIND OF PLACES.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

2

3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IF YOU CAN KEEP AN ECONOMY GOING LIKE THAT, MORE
4 POWER TO YOU.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, FINAL
7 SPEAKER.

8

9 **PATRICK KELLY:** YEAH. MY NAME IS PATRICK KELLY. I'M WITH
10 TEAMSTERS LOCAL 952 AND JOINT COUNCIL 42.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE ARE
13 STILL IN SESSION. WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU GOVERN YOURSELVES
14 ACCORDINGLY. SIR.

15

16 **PATRICK KELLY:** ANYWAY, WE HAVE OVER 100,000 ACTIVE MEMBERS IN
17 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND WE HAVE A LOT OF UNEMPLOYMENT. AND
18 BEFORE I SAY ANY MORE ABOUT THAT, I WANT TO THANK THE TWO
19 SUPERVISORS THAT ARE LEAVING FOR THEIR SERVICE. I KNOW A
20 COUPLE OF YOU ARE LEAVING. AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE AND
21 WE APPRECIATE THE SERVICE OF ALL OF YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO
22 BECAUSE IT'S NOT ALWAYS SO EASY. BUT, THE FACT IS THAT THIS
23 PROJECT WILL HAVE A TREMENDOUS MULTIPLIER EFFECT AND CREATE A
24 LOT OF JOBS. NOT JUST CONSTRUCTION JOBS BUT OTHER TYPES OF
25 JOBS. THERE'S A LOCAL HIRE COMPONENT TO THIS WHOLE PROCESS. IT



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1 WILL LEAD TO PEOPLE WHO AREN'T WORKING. IT WILL LEAD TO VETS
2 THAT ARE LOOKING FOR WORK. IT WILL PROBABLY EVEN LEAD TO
3 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE AN
4 OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP A BETTER WAY OF LIFE THAN THEY'VE
5 EXPERIENCED. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE APPRECIATE
6 EVERYBODY'S SUPPORT. AND THE TEAMSTERS UNION IS STRONGLY IN
7 SUPPORT OF THIS TYPE OF PROGRAM FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. THANK
8 YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT CLOSES
11 THE PUBLIC HEARING. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND THANK YOU FOR
14 COMPETENTLY HANDLING THIS HEARING. THIS IS A UNIQUE
15 OPPORTUNITY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND FOR THE REGION, AND I
16 WANT TO FIRST AND FOREMOST THANK OUR STAFF, MY STAFF, BEN
17 SALZTMAN WHO HAS BEEN ON POINT FOR THIS FOR QUITE A FEW YEARS
18 NOW. THE PLANNING STAFF, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STAFF,
19 THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE AND EVERYONE ELSE IN THE COUNTY
20 FAMILY WHO'S BEEN A PART OF THIS. I WANT TO PARTICULARLY
21 SINGLE OUT RICHARD BRUCKNER, DENNIS SLAVIN, SAM DAY, KIM
22 SZALAY, TRICIA KEEN, GAIL FARBER, JACOB WILLIAMS, MARK
23 PESTRELLA, AND I WON'T GO THROUGH THE WHOLE PUBLIC WORKS
24 STAFF. THEY TEND TO REQUIRE MORE PEOPLE ON ANY PROJECT HERE,
25 SO THEY DON'T GET ALL ACKNOWLEDGED. BUT THEY ALL DID A GREAT



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1 JOB IN COOPERATING WITH US AND TRYING TO GET THIS PROJECT
2 DONE. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE UNIVERSAL -- N.B.C. UNIVERSAL
3 FAMILY FOR REALLY AN UNPRECEDENTED COOPERATIVE EFFORT. I DON'T
4 THINK IN ALL MY YEARS I'VE EVER HAD THIS KIND OF A COOPERATIVE
5 RELATIONSHIP WITH A DEVELOPER ON A PROJECT THIS SIZE AND THIS
6 MAGNITUDE AND OF THIS COMPLEXITY. AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE
7 DAVID COHEN, RON MEYER WHO RUNS N.B.C. UNIVERSAL HERE, CORINNE
8 VERDERY WHO HAS BEEN INCREDIBLE IN HER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
9 COMMUNITY AND WITH OUR OFFICE, DARNELL TYLER, CINDY GARDENER,
10 MARK LIAM AND TRACY COHEN. THESE ARE FOLKS THAT NOT ONLY HAVE
11 BEEN PART OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE EVOLUTION PLAN BUT THEY
12 ARE ALSO A PART OF EVERY OTHER PROBLEM THAT COMES UP IN
13 UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. SO THEY'RE CALLED UPON MORNING, NOON AND
14 NIGHT AND I APPRECIATE THEIR COOPERATION. I ALSO WANT TO
15 ACKNOWLEDGE -- AND THEN I WANT TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS ABOUT
16 THIS -- THE UNPRECEDENTED COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD
17 ORGANIZATIONS, HOMEOWNER GROUPS WHO HAVE COME HERE TO SUPPORT
18 THIS PROJECT, NOT TO BE AGNOSTIC, NOT TO BE NEUTRAL, NOT TO
19 SAY WE SUPPORT IT BUT, BUT WHO HAVE COME HERE IN CLEAR AND
20 TRANSPARENT AND UNADULTERATED SUPPORT OF WHAT HAS BEEN
21 ACHIEVED HERE. THE CAHUENGA PASS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION,
22 CAHUENGA PASS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. THE TOLUCA LAKE
23 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND THE TOLUCA ESTATES DRIVE HOMEOWNERS
24 ASSOCIATION, THE ISLAND NEIGHBORHOOD, HOLLYWOOD HILLS WEST
25 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, THE GREATER TOLUCA LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD



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1 COUNCIL, HOLLYWOOD KNOLLS COMMUNITY CLUB, STUDIO CITY
2 RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION, THE STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL,
3 THE OUTPOST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, A BROAD COALITION OF RIVER
4 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE L.A. BIKE COALITION, THE FRIENDS
5 OF THE L.A. RIVER, THE L.A. RIVER REVITALIZATION CORPORATION,
6 AND NORTHEAST TREES. AND ALSO I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY
7 COLLEAGUE AT THE CITY, COUNCILMAN TOM LABONGE, COUNCILMAN TOM
8 LABONGE AND HIS ABLE STAFF, PARTICULARLY HIS CHIEF OF STAFF
9 RENEE WEITZER, AND ALSO COUNCILMAN PAUL KREKORIAN WHO
10 REPRESENTS AN AREA NOT TOO FAR FROM HERE. ALL OF YOU HAVE MADE
11 THIS A UNIQUE PROCESS. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, YOU'VE HEARD FROM
12 A LOT OF PEOPLE AND YOU'VE HEARD FROM OUR STAFF AND YOU'VE
13 HEARD FROM THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL FOLKS WHAT THE IMPACT OF THIS
14 PROJECT IS GOING TO BE. CLEARLY IT HAS AN IMPORTANT PIVOTAL
15 ECONOMIC IMPACT ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGION AND IN THE
16 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY IN PARTICULAR. THIS IS A REGIONAL PROJECT.
17 1.88 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF NEW STUDIOS, NEW STUDIO OFFICE,
18 ENTERTAINMENT, RETAIL AND OTHER TOURISM AND ENTERTAINMENT
19 USES. IT'S AN INVESTMENT OF \$1.6 BILLION INTO THIS PROPERTY
20 WITH AN ECONOMIC OUTPUT OF \$2.8 BILLION. THIS IS NOT THE KIND
21 OF PROJECT THAT COMES BEFORE US EVERY DAY. AND IT'S NOT THE
22 KIND OF PROJECT THAT YOU CAN JUST TURN YOUR BACK ON WHEN IT
23 COMES HERE. THERE WILL BE \$15 MILLION IN NEW TAX REVENUES TO
24 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES GENERAL FUND AND I WOULD IMAGINE
25 THAT THERE IS SOMEWHAT OF A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN TAX



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1 REVENUE TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES IN SOME OF THE PROPERTY,
2 ABOUT HALF OF THIS PROPERTY IS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.
3 30,000 JOBS BOTH IN CONSTRUCTION AND THE OPERATION OF THIS NEW
4 PROJECT WILL BE CREATED. THAT'S A STIMULUS PACKAGE IF I EVER
5 HEARD OF ONE. THIS PROJECT HAS BEEN ABOUT A SMALL "D"
6 DEMOCRACY. IN LISTENING CLOSELY TO COMMUNITY CONCERNS TO MAKE
7 A PROJECT OF THIS ECONOMIC MAGNITUDE BECOME AN INTEGRAL PART
8 NOT ONLY OF THE REGION BUT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. INSTEAD OF
9 JUSTIFYING NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON THE COMMUNITY AS PART OF A
10 NECESSARY COST OF GROWING THE ECONOMY, WHICH TENDS TO BE THE
11 WAY THINGS ARE DONE MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, UNIVERSAL DECIDED TO
12 WORK ON DETAILS BIG AND SMALL WITH THE COMMUNITY TO FIND A WAY
13 FOR THE COMPANY TO THRIVE AND ALSO TO ENHANCE THE COMMUNITY AS
14 PART OF THE PROJECT. IN OTHER WORDS, UNIVERSAL BELIEVED, AS I
15 BELIEVE, THAT THIS COULD BE A WIN/WIN FOR THEM AND FOR US. THE
16 COMPANY WILL CONTRIBUTE OVER \$100 MILLION TO MITIGATE ITS
17 TRAFFIC IMPACT AND ACTUALLY MAKE TRAFFIC FLOW BETTER IN SOME
18 OF THE CONGESTED PARTS OF THE SOUTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY.
19 IT WILL INVEST 13-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS INTO THE L.A. RIVER AND
20 OPEN THE DOOR TO AN EVEN LARGER COMMUNITY INITIATIVE GOING
21 FORWARD. IN JULY OF 2012, UNIVERSAL ELIMINATED, AS YOU'VE
22 HEARD, 3,000 HOUSING UNITS THAT WOULD HAVE REPLACED A LARGE
23 PORTION OF THE BACK LOT. THE MOST RIDICULOUS PROPOSAL I HAD
24 EVER SEEN COME ALONG ON THIS PROPERTY IN ALL THE YEARS I'VE
25 REPRESENTED THIS AREA. BUT UNDER THE NEW OWNERSHIP OF COMCAST,



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1 WHICH I WANT TO ADDRESS IN A MOMENT, THEY SAW THE FOLLY OF
2 THAT PLAN, SHORT-TERM PROFIT BUT LONG-TERM LOSS TO THE
3 INDUSTRY, OUR HOMETOWN INDUSTRY, THE MOTION PICTURE AND
4 TELEVISION INDUSTRY. AND AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION AND
5 LITTLE CAJOLING FROM US AND FROM COUNCILMAN LABONGE, THEY
6 DECIDED TO SCRAP THE 3,000 HOUSING UNITS ON THE BACK LOT, KEEP
7 THE BACK LOT FOR PRODUCTION PURPOSES AND KEEP THOSE MOTION
8 PICTURE AND TELEVISION JOBS HERE IN LOS ANGELES RATHER THAN
9 GOING OUTSIDE THE COUNTY AND OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY. EVERY DETAIL
10 OF THIS PROJECT WAS CAREFULLY CONCEIVED IN COOPERATION WITH
11 THE COMMUNITY. FOR EXAMPLE, DIGITAL SIGNAGE WAS DRAMATICALLY
12 SCALED BACK AND WHAT SIGNAGE IS ALLOWED MUST BE CAREFULLY
13 PLACED TO PROTECT VIEWS FROM OFF THE PROPERTY. NEW LANDSCAPING
14 AND GREEN SPACE BUFFERS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED AROUND KEY PARTS OF
15 THE PROPERTY THAT PROTECT VIEWS AND NEARBY RESIDENTS. WHEN
16 GLARE FROM THE OFFICE LIGHTS BECOME A CONCERN, UNIVERSAL,
17 BECAUSE THEY HAD BECOME A CONCERN, UNIVERSAL AGREED TO TAKE
18 STEPS TO MAKE SURE LIGHTS IN KEY OFFICES WERE TURNED OFF BY 10
19 P.M. WHEN THEY ARE NOT IN USE. N.B.C. AND THE COMMUNITY AGREED
20 ON A NEW SOUND REGULATION REGIME TO SOLVE LONG-STANDING
21 CONCERNS FROM SURROUNDING RESIDENTS IN ALMOST EVERY PART OF
22 THIS AREA. THE SPECIFIC PLAN ESTABLISHES A COMMUNITY ADVISORY
23 PANEL TO MEET WITH NEIGHBORS ON A REGULAR BASIS AND DEVELOP A
24 LONG-TERM PARTNERSHIP THAT WILL BE GOOD FOR BOTH THE
25 NEIGHBORHOOD AND FOR UNIVERSAL. ALL THAT HAVING BEEN SAID,



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1 THERE ARE TWO THINGS THAT I THINK ARE NOTEWORTHY ABOUT THIS
2 PLAN. NUMBER ONE, IT WAS ALREADY MENTIONED, "THE WIZARDING
3 WORLD OF HARRY POTTER." THIS IS GOING TO BE A HUGE ATTRACTION.
4 SOME OF US HAVE ONLY COME TO KNOW HARRY POTTER RECENTLY. I'LL
5 SPEAK FOR MYSELF. BUT I HAVE SEEN WITH MY OWN EYES THE
6 EXCITEMENT AND THE ECONOMIC VALUE THAT THIS NEW ATTRACTION
7 WILL HAVE TO UNIVERSAL CITY AMUSEMENT PARK AND TO THE ECONOMY
8 OF THE REGION. I UNDERSTAND THAT IN FLORIDA WHEN UNIVERSAL
9 ADDED THE WIZARDING WORLD OF HARRY POTTER, THAT THE ECONOMIC
10 ACTIVITY OF THE PARK INCREASED BY SOMETHING ON THE ORDER OF 20
11 PERCENT. I MAY BE OFF BY A FEW PERCENT, BUT IT WAS A HUGE SHOT
12 IN THE ARM. THIS WILL BE HUGE FOR US. AND OF COURSE IT WILL BE
13 A GREAT ATTRACTION TO KIDS AND ADULTS ALIKE. THE SECOND THING
14 WHICH I'M PARTICULARLY PLEASED ABOUT IS THAT WE HAVE SOLVED
15 THE CONUNDRUM OF THE BIKE PATH ISSUE THAT HAS BEEN DOGGING US
16 FOR YEARS IF NOT DECADES ALONG THIS PROPERTY. FOR YEARS, IT
17 WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE ANY HEADWAY BETWEEN THE COUNTY, THE
18 CITY ON THE ONE HAND AND N.B.C. UNIVERSAL AND EVEN BEFORE IT
19 WAS N.B.C. UNIVERSAL TO EXTEND THE BIKE PATH ALONG THE L.A.
20 RIVER ADJACENT TO THE NORTH SIDE OF THE STUDIO PROPERTY.
21 THANKS TO THE CREATIVE WORK OF OUR STAFF AND OF THE UNIVERSAL
22 STAFF AND A WILLINGNESS TO MAKE SOME COMPROMISES, WE ARE ABLE
23 TO NOT ONLY CREATE A BIKE PATH THERE, BUT N.B.C. UNIVERSAL IS
24 GOING TO PAY FOR IT. NOT ONLY PAY FOR THE BIKE PATH ADJACENT
25 TO THEIR STUDIO BUT ALSO PUT IN MONEY TO PLAN THE EXTENSION OF



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1 THE BIKE PATH FURTHER INTO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TO ENSURE
2 THAT THIS CONNECTION, THIS BIKE PATH CONNECTION WILL GO FROM
3 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY ALL THE WAY TO LONG BEACH WITHOUT
4 HAVING TO HAVE ANY GAPS IN IT. THIS WAS A HUGE VICTORY FOR
5 BICYCLISTS, ENVIRONMENTALISTS AND PEOPLE WHO ARE ADVOCATES FOR
6 THE L.A. RIVER. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO WAS A
7 PART OF THIS AND MADE IT HAPPEN. IN SHORT, THIS PROPERTY HAS
8 BEEN TALKING ABOUT -- THE OWNERS OF THIS PROPERTY, THE
9 PREDECESSOR OWNERS OF THIS PROPERTY HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT A
10 MASTER PLAN FOR THIS STUDIO FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. IN FACT,
11 FOR MORE THAN A DECADE AND A HALF. ALMOST THE FIRST THING THAT
12 HAPPENED WHEN I BECAME THE SUPERVISOR HERE ALMOST 18 YEARS AGO
13 WAS THE PLAN TO EXPAND THE THEME PARK AND TO DO ALL KINDS OF
14 THINGS AT N.B.C. UNIVERSAL. THAT WENT NOWHERE. THERE WAS
15 ANOTHER PLAN. THAT WENT KNOW NOWHERE. THEN THERE WAS THIS
16 PLAN. WHICH THE GREAT ATTORNEYS FOR N.B.C. UNIVERSAL THOUGHT
17 THEY COULD GET THE E.I.R. DONE IN 90 TO 120 DAYS. REMEMBER
18 THAT, GEORGE? HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN? 7 YEARS? AND YOU'RE LUCKY
19 IT WAS ONLY SEVEN YEARS. BUT THE FACT IS THIS IS A GOOD PLAN.
20 IT'S ONE THAT HAS ADDRESSED THE BIG THINGS AND THE LITTLE
21 THINGS AND THAT'S WHY YOU HAVE A BROAD-BASED COALITION OF
22 PEOPLE WHO CAME HERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS WITH ONE EXCEPTION. SO
23 I AM DELIGHTED TO SUPPORT THIS AND ASK THE BOARD TO APPROVE
24 IT. AND WITH THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME READ -- I'LL READ THE
25 RESOLVED PART IN THE INTEREST OF TIME BECAUSE THE PREAMBLE IS



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1 LARGELY WHAT I'VE JUST SAID. SO LET ME READ THE RESOLVED PART.
2 "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE THE
3 PUBLIC HEARING, ACTING AS A RESPONSIBLE AGENCY PURSUANT TO
4 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT CONSIDER THE EFFECTS OF
5 THE PROJECT AS SHOWN IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT
6 PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS THE
7 LEAD AGENCY AND CERTIFIED BY THE CITY ON NOVEMBER 14, 2012 AND
8 FIND THAT ON THE BASIS OF THE WHOLE RECORD, THAT THE
9 SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT AS DESCRIBED IN THE
10 CERTIFIED E.I.R. HAVE EITHER BEEN REDUCED TO A LEVEL OF LESS
11 THAN SIGNIFICANT OR FOR THOSE IMPACTS THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT AND
12 UNAVOIDABLE HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL AND ARE
13 OUTWEIGHED BY SPECIFIC SOCIAL, LEGAL, TECHNOLOGICAL OR OTHER
14 CONSIDERATIONS OF THE PROJECTS AS STATED IN THE COUNTY'S
15 C.E.Q.A. FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING
16 CONSIDERATIONS; THREE, CERTIFY THAT THE COUNTY'S MITIGATION
17 MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE PROJECT IS ADEQUATELY
18 DESIGNED TO INSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE MITIGATION MEASURES
19 DURING PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION; FOUR, ADOPT THE COUNTY'S
20 C.E.Q.A. FINDINGS IN S.O.C. IN THE COUNTY'S M.M.R.P" -- S.O.C.
21 IS THE STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AND M.M.R.P. IS
22 MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM -- "INDICATE THAT
23 THE BOARD'S INTENT TO APPROVE GENERAL PLAN" -- SORRY. AGAIN.
24 "INDICATE THAT THE BOARD'S INTENT TO APPROVE GENERAL PLAN
25 AMENDMENT CASE 2007-00001-(3) SPECIFIC PLAN CASE NUMBER 2007-



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1 00001-(3) WITH THE ADDITIONAL LIGHTING REGULATION AS
2 RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AT TODAY'S
3 HEARING, ZONE CHANGE CASE 2007-0001-(3) AND DEVELOPMENT
4 AGREEMENT CASE NUMBER 2007-00001-(3) AND DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL
5 TO BRING BACK FINAL DOCUMENTS FOR THESE ENTITLEMENTS FOR THE
6 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AT A FUTURE BOARD MEETING." THAT'S MY
7 MOTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR
12 YAROSLAVSKY. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY MOVED AND IT HAS BEEN
13 SECONDED. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OR
14 COMMENTS ON THE MATTER THAT IS BEFORE US? SUPERVISOR
15 ANTONOVICH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST ASK -- I APPRECIATE
18 THE OFFER OF ASSISTANCE THAT UNIVERSAL WILL BE PROVIDING OUR
19 FOSTER YOUTH, EMANCIPATED YOUTH. I APPRECIATE THAT. THE
20 QUESTION WAS RAISED AS TO HOW WILL THIS IMPACT THE LINKAGE TO
21 THE BURBANK AIRPORT, BOB HOPE AIRPORT?

22

23 **GEORGE MIHLSTEN:** THERE IS A SHUTTLE PROPOSED. AND THE DETAILS
24 OF THAT WOULD RELATE SOMEWHAT. I DON'T REMEMBER THE EXACT
25 CONNECTION.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WILL BE WORKED OUT WITH METRO, M.T.A.

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4 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** AND THE CITY OF BURBANK, YES.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE RESIDENTS THAT WOULD BE IMPACTED

7 THAT TESTIFIED TODAY, THEY'LL BE ABLE TO WORK WITH UNIVERSAL?

8 UNIVERSAL WILL BE ABLE TO WORK WITH THEM TO RESOLVE SOME OF

9 THOSE ISSUES THAT THEY RAISED?

10

11 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL MEETINGS,

12 SUPERVISOR, BETWEEN THE UNIVERSAL TEAM AND THOSE RESIDENTS,

13 AND INCLUDED IN THE DOCUMENTS THERE ARE SEVERAL MITIGATION

14 MEASURES, PROJECT DESIGN FEATURES AS WELL AS AN ONGOING

15 DIALOGUE. BUT THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL COMPROMISES. THERE HAVE

16 BEEN BUFFERS WRITTEN INTO THE AGREEMENT. THERE'S LANDSCAPE

17 PROVISIONS. AND THERE IS A FORMAL ORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD BE

18 AN AVENUE FOR THAT DIALOGUE WRITTEN INTO THE DOCUMENT.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN WORKING WITH THE CITY OF BURBANK,

21 HOW WERE THEY ABLE TO COMPROMISE WITH THE CITY OF ABOUT YOUR

22 BURBANK?

23

24 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THE UNIVERSAL N.B.C. TEAM WORKED VERY

25 CLOSELY WITH THE CITY OF BURBANK ON TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC



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1 SAFETY ISSUES AND THE CITY OF BURBANK IS SATISFIED WITH THE
2 OUTCOME OF THAT DIALOGUE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I JUST WANT TO COMMEND UNIVERSAL FOR
5 WORKING WITH MY STAFF ON THESE ISSUES AND WORKING WITH THE
6 COMMUNITY AND ORGANIZING A VERY POSITIVE OUTREACH WITH THE
7 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS SO THEY HAVE THIS UNANIMITY TODAY FOR
8 THIS HEARING. SO THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST PRODUCTIVE HEARINGS
9 WE'VE HAD ON A VERY COMPLEX PROJECT, BUT YOU'VE HAD THE
10 ATTENTION OF EVERYONE AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY IS WHY
11 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A POSITIVE RESULT TODAY.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS
14 OR COMMENTS ON THE MATTER BEFORE US? MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
15 WHY DON'T YOU JUST SIMPLY CALL THE ROLE ON THE ITEM.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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25 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** AYE.

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12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MOTION CARRIES.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE WITH
15 CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.
16 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE. CONGRATULATIONS,
17 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. YOU WERE A YOUNG MAN WHEN WE BEGAN
18 THIS JOURNEY. THANK YOU. SERGEANT, WE WISH TO MAINTAIN THE
19 DECORUM OF THE MEETING AND ASK THOSE TO LEAVE QUIETLY. BEFORE
20 WE PROCEED TO THE BALANCE OF THE AGENDA, WE DO HAVE TWO
21 PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THE CONSENT ITEMS, ARNOLD
22 SACHS, ERIC PREVEN. AND YOU'LL HAVE TWO MINUTES ON EACH OF
23 THESE ITEMS. GENTLEMEN, PLEASE COME FORWARD. WE HAVE A LOT TO
24 DO. MR. PREVEN, MR. SACHS, GOING ONCE, GOING TWICE? YOU ONLY
25 SEE MR. SACHS. HE WILL BE THE ONLY ONE PERMITTED TO SPEAK.



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1 THANK YOU. I THOUGHT I WAS GETTING LUCKY, BUT OBVIOUSLY THIS
2 IS NOT THE CASE.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU WERE LUCKY. GOT TWO MINUTES OF MY TIME LEFT
5 OVER.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I THOUGHT THAT YOU WERE BY
8 YOURSELF.

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10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** TAKE THAT TO THE BANK.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE BY YOURSELF,
13 MR. SACHS. PROCEED.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. LISTEN, I ONLY
16 HELD THREE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT BUT I'M ONLY GOING TO TALK
17 ABOUT TWO. I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT YOUR ABILITY, YOU WANT TO
18 PUT ON, HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE
19 PASADENA SCHOOL BOARD. AND YOU GOT TURNED DOWN BY TRYING TO
20 APPOINT THE ASSESSOR AS AN APPOINTEE, TAKE THAT OUT OF THE
21 HANDS OF PUBLIC. WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT YOU'RE BETTER
22 QUALIFIED TO APPOINT PEOPLE TO THE PASADENA SCHOOL BOARD THAN
23 THE LOCAL CONSTITUENTS? AND THEN IN A ROUNDABOUT WAY I'D LIKE
24 TO DISCUSS DENIM DAY. AND THE FACT THAT IT REPRESENTS A FIGHT
25 AGAINST VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN BECAUSE YOU HAD, WHAT WAS IT?



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1 VIOLENCE -- THE ACTION TODAY TO DESIGNATE THE WEEK? AND I'M
2 THINKING ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WERE HERE FOR THE PRESENTATION,
3 THEY WEREN'T HERE TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN -- I BELIEVE IT WAS TWO
4 WEEKS AGO WHEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA
5 ABOUT ELIMINATING FUNDING FOR A DOMESTIC SHELTER FOR WOMEN WHO
6 SUFFER THROUGH DOMESTIC ABUSE. AND SHE COULDN'T GET A SECOND
7 FOR THE MOTION TO GO THROUGH. AND IT WAS A 4-1 -- WELL
8 ACTUALLY WAS A 4-0 VOTE OR A 5-0 VOTE BECAUSE SHE DECIDED THAT
9 SINCE THE ITEM DIDN'T INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE DOMESTIC ABUSE
10 SHELTER, SHE WASN'T GOING TO VOTE FOR IT, WHICH I APPRECIATE.
11 SO THE FACT THAT YOU STAND UP HERE AND YOU APPLAUD AND YOU
12 WANT TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT THIS DENIM DAY AS A SIGN OF YOUR
13 ALLEGIANCE TO FIGHT ABUSE AND THEN TURN AROUND AND DENY
14 FUNDING TO A WOMAN'S SHELTER FOR SOME WHAT REASON THAT THEY
15 COULD POSSIBLY LOSE THEIR FUNDING JUST BOGGLES THE MIND.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
18 DISTRICT 3. EXCITING TO HAVE A ROOM FULL OF PEOPLE, THEY'VE
19 GONE NOW. C.S. 1 TODAY IS A LAWSUIT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE
20 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGARDING A SEWER MAIN IN THE VIA MARIA,
21 MARINA AREA. AND I KNOW ON WEDNESDAY, IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN,
22 SUPERVISOR KNABE CAN CONFIRM, THERE'S A HEARING ON THE BOAT
23 FACILITY THAT'S GOING TO BE -- IT'S VERY CONTROVERSIAL. AND I
24 WISH THAT THE DEVELOPERS IN THAT AREA WOULD BE AS FORTHRIGHT
25 AS THE N.B.C. UNIVERSAL FOLKS WERE REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT



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1 IN THAT AREA. I KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
2 CONTENTIOUSNESS ABOUT THAT. ITEM 23-A IS SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
3 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS ARE UNITING IN ADVANCE OF OUR TRIP TO
4 WASHINGTON, D.C. AND WHAT THEY'VE GOT LINED UP IS ACTUALLY
5 QUITE TOUCHING. THEY'RE GOING TO BRING SOME OF THE YOUTH FROM
6 THE PROBATION PROGRAM, ONE ASSUMES, TO WASHINGTON ON A
7 BUSINESS TRIP IN ORDER TO, WELL, I GUESS INFLUENCE THE LOCAL,
8 THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. AND I THINK THAT THAT'S VERY
9 COMMENDABLE ON SOME LEVEL. THE TRIP TO WASHINGTON ALWAYS COMES
10 WITH A BUNCH OF QUESTIONS AS TO WHAT SPECIFICALLY IS
11 HAPPENING. I'VE ASKED -- AND AGAIN THERE'S NOT QUITE AN
12 ITINERARY. I'M SURE THERE ARE QUITE GOOD AND IMPORTANT THINGS
13 TO BE DOING THERE. THE C.I.O.'S OFFICE, THAT'S THE CHIEF
14 INFORMATION OFFICE, RICK SANCHEZ, HAS BEEN OVERSEEING JUST A
15 TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF I.T. CONSIDERATIONS HERE AT L.A. COUNTY.
16 AND HE HAS BEEN ASKED TO PREPARE -- HE WAS ASKED ON I BELIEVE
17 APRIL 15 TO PREPARE A REPORT BACK, I THINK YOU ASKED FOR IT,
18 SIR. I THINK IT WAS ON HOW TO KEEP TRACK OF ALL OF OUR I.T.
19 PROGRAMS AND ARE WE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION? HE PREPARED A
20 REPORT IN FOUR DAYS. THIS IS A SPECTACULAR TURN-AROUND. AND
21 HE'S TO BE COMMENDED FOR THAT. I DON'T KNOW HOW HE DID IT. THE
22 JOB ORDER CONTRACTING ITEM --

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** WE'LL BE BACK. AND SO I TAKE IT WE'LL DISCUSS
2 THAT NEXT TIME.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, THANK
5 YOU. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, I THINK WE SHOULD MOVE TO THE
6 SET ITEM AT THIS POINT.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IF WE COULD JUST APPROVE SOME OF
9 THESE ITEMS BEFORE WE GO TO THE SET ITEM?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO, ON ITEM NO. 6, THERE'S TWO
14 PARTS TO THIS ITEM. AND LET ME JUST READ THE FIRST PART OF THE
15 MOTION ON THIS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH STATED THAT HE HAS A
16 PERSONAL FINANCIAL INTEREST BECAUSE HE WOULD RECEIVE A STIPEND
17 FOR SERVING ON THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THEREFORE WILL BE
18 ABSTAINING FROM VOTING ON HIS APPOINTMENT. AND HIS ABSTENTION
19 WILL BE NOTED FOR THE RECORD. AGAIN, THIS IS HIS APPOINTMENT
20 TO SANITATION DISTRICTS NO. 1, 2, 3, 8 AND 19 FOR THE PERIOD
21 OF MAY 6-10. THAT PORTION OF THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR
24 YAROSLAVSKY MOVED. I WILL SECOND. AND WE'LL RECORD THE VOTE
25 WITH THE ABSTENTION HAVING BEEN NOTED.



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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON THE SECOND PART OF
3 THIS MOTION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR KNABE HAVE
4 STATED THAT THEY HAVE A PERSONAL FINANCIAL INTEREST BECAUSE
5 THEY WOULD BE RECEIVING A STIPEND FOR SERVING ON THE
6 DISTRICT'S BOARD AND THEREFORE WILL BE ABSTAINING FROM VOTING
7 ON THEIR APPOINTMENTS. AND, AGAIN, THE ABSTENTION IS NOTED FOR
8 THE RECORD. THIS, AGAIN, IS THAT THEY WILL BE APPOINTED AS THE
9 ALTERNATES FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 13 THROUGH DECEMBER 3, 2013.
10 THAT PORTION OF IT IS BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR
13 YAROSLAVSKY MOVES AND I WILL SECOND. THOSE ITEMS AND THAT
14 HAVING NOTED THE ABSTENTIONS, PLEASE RECORD THE VOTE ON THE
15 BALANCE OF THE MEMBERS' VOTING AYE.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 12, THIS
18 ITEM IS BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 18, ITEM NO. 19, ITEM NO. 21 WILL
19 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK. ITEM NO. 22, 23-A AND 23-C ARE BEFORE
20 YOU.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE MOVES. AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A
24 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THEN ON ITEM NO. 13, WE'LL
2 TAKE THIS UP AS A SEPARATE VOTE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND
3 SUPERVISOR KNABE ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE BUT THE ITEM IS BEFORE
4 YOU.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES AND
7 SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. AND ABSTENTIONS HAVING BEEN NOTED,
8 PLEASE RECORD THE VOTE.

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND I THINK YOU WANTED
11 TO CALL UP THE SET ITEM?

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** I'M SORRY?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT CLEARS THE AGENDA WITH
18 RESPECT TO THE SET ITEMS.

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20 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THERE'S ONE ADDITIONAL ITEM THAT
21 SUPERVISOR KNABE IS HOLDING, WHICH IS ITEM 17.

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23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THEN WE'LL PROCEED TO
24 THE REPORT ON THE A.B.109 BY THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS LED BY



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1 THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION. CHIEF POWERS? DR. SOUTHARD?

2 DOCTOR FIELDING? CHIEF RAMBO.

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4 **JERRY POWERS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD, OR I GUESS IT'S GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS
6 OF THE BOARD. JERRY POWERS, YOUR CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER.
7 SEEING AS IT IS AFTERNOON, I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO KEEP
8 THIS PRESENTATION TO 30 MINUTES OR LESS, HOPEFULLY
9 SIGNIFICANTLY LESS IN THE INTEREST OF BREVITY.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S A BONUS IN THE WAITING
12 IF YOU MAKE IT 30 MINUTES OR LESS, CHIEF POWERS.

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14 **JERRY POWERS:** I WILL PUT MYSELF ON THE CLOCK. I HAVE ASKED THE
15 OTHERS WHO ARE REPORTING TO YOU ALSO TO BE SUCCINCT, AS WELL.
16 YOU WILL SEE MANY SLIDES THAT YOU'VE SEEN PREVIOUSLY, SO FOR
17 PURPOSES OF BREVITY, I WILL NOT GO INTO GREAT DETAIL ON THOSE
18 SLIDES UNLESS ONE OF YOUR MEMBERS CHOOSES TO STOP ME AND ASK
19 QUESTIONS. WE ESSENTIALLY CONTINUE TO RECEIVE ABOUT THE SAME
20 NUMBER OF REFERRALS. THEY'RE STILL WORKING ON IT, SO YOU CAN
21 IGNORE THAT SLIDE. WE'VE LEVELED OFF AT ABOUT 500 REFERRALS
22 PER MONTH, HOLDING STEADY FOR THE LAST TWO MONTHS. AND WE
23 PROJECT FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS TO BE RIGHT AROUND 500
24 CASES COMING IN. THAT'S DOWN FROM A HIGH OF ABOUT 1100 WHEN
25 THIS PROGRAM STARTED. WE ARE NOW TERMINATING FOR THE LAST TWO



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1 OUT OF THREE MONTHS MORE CASES THAN WE'RE RECEIVING IN. SO
2 THAT HAS RESULTED IN A SLIGHT DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNDER SUPERVISION. WE'RE ON SLIDE 5. YOU
4 CAN SEE WHENEVER THE RED LINE IS ABOVE THE BLUE LINE, THAT
5 MEANS WE'RE LOSING MORE CASES THAN WE'RE GAINING. SO FOR THE
6 LAST SEVERAL MONTHS, WE ARE FAIRLY STATIC. THE NEXT SLIDE
7 AGAIN IS A SLIDE THAT YOU'VE SEEN SINCE WE BEGAN THESE
8 PRESENTATIONS, AND THAT JUST GIVES YOU AN IDEA OF THE
9 CUMULATIVE NUMBER THAT HAVE BEEN RELEASED TO LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY SINCE INCEPTION. WE JUST CROSSED THE 14,000 THRESHOLD
11 AS OF THE END OF MARCH. I ANTICIPATE THAT IN THE NEXT TWO
12 MONTHS, WE WILL HAVE -- WE'LL BE PUSHING OVER THE 15,000
13 THRESHOLD AT ABOUT 500 ADDITIONAL CASES PER MONTH. YOU CAN SEE
14 THAT THE LINE HAS FLATTENED WITH RESPECT TO THE NUMBER MUCH
15 CASES THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY SUPERVISING. I ANTICIPATE THAT WILL
16 CONTINUE TO STAY FLAT FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE. I'M
17 COMMITTING TO YOU TODAY THAT IN OUR REPORT NEXT MONTH, I WILL
18 WORK SOME OF MY STATISTICAL GENIUS AND TRY TO PROVIDE YOU A
19 PROJECTION OF THE TREND OVER THE NEXT 12 TO 18 MONTHS OF WHAT
20 THAT WILL LOOK LIKE. I ANTICIPATE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO SEE IT
21 FLAT FOR THE NEXT SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS AND THEN START TO SEE A
22 GRADUAL DECREASE. WHEN THIS PROGRAM IS FULLY GROWN OR HATCHED,
23 YOU WILL SEE VERY MUCH A BELL-SHAPED CURVE TO THIS POPULATION
24 GRAPH. YOU CAN SEE THAT SINCE THE INCEPTION OF OUR PROGRAM, WE
25 HAVE TERMINATED RIGHT AT 3700, A LITTLE OVER 3700 INDIVIDUALS



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1 FROM THIS PROGRAM. THOSE TERMINATIONS ARE DUE TO SUCCESSFUL
2 COMPLETIONS AS WELL AS NEW CRIMINAL OFFENSES WHICH HAVE
3 RESULTED IN COMMITMENTS BACK INTO CUSTODY. THE NEXT SLIDE
4 SHOWS YOU THE SECOND HALF OF A.B.109, WHICH IS WHAT I CALL THE
5 LOCAL PRISON COMMITMENTS. AND WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THIS
6 PREVIOUSLY. WE CONTINUE TO AVERAGE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN -- AROUND
7 600, SOMETIMES A LITTLE UNDER, SOMETIMES A LITTLE OVER, LOCAL
8 PRISON SENTENCES PER MONTH FROM OUR SUPERIOR COURT. WE'VE BEEN
9 AVERAGING ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF THOSE HAVE BEEN GIVEN SOME SORT
10 OF A SPLIT SENTENCE UPON RELEASE THAT WOULD ALLOW US TO
11 CONTINUE TO SUPERVISE THEM IN THE COMMUNITY. INTERESTINGLY
12 ENOUGH, IN MARCH, THAT PERCENTAGE JUMPED UP TO ABOUT 9 PERCENT
13 OF THE POPULATION. SO I'M HOPING THAT WE'RE SEEING A POSITIVE
14 TREND WITH MORE SPLIT SENTENCES COMING FROM OUR SUPERIOR
15 COURT. AGAIN, THIS IS A SLIDE THAT YOU'VE SEEN PREVIOUSLY.
16 IT'S VERY CONSISTENT MONTH OVER MONTH IN THAT ABOUT 30 TO 35
17 PERCENT OF THE OFFENDERS IN EACH OF YOUR DISTRICTS ARE
18 CONTINUING TO OFFEND AND ARE BEING RE-ARRESTED. AGAIN, THIS IS
19 THE REVOCATION CASES WHICH WILL FOLLOW FROM THOSE ARRESTS.
20 AND, AGAIN, THE NUMBERS ARE VERY CONSISTENT. I'VE POINTED OUT
21 THE LAST TWO MONTHS AND I'LL POINT IT OUT ONCE MORE THAT
22 DISTRICTS 3 AND 4 SEEM TO HAVE A SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER INCIDENCE
23 OF REVOCATIONS IN THE P.S.P. POPULATIONS IN THOSE DISTRICTS.
24 WE DON'T HAVE A GOOD HANDLE ON WHY THAT IS OTHER THAN THEY'RE
25 NOT DOING THINGS TO GET THEM REVOKED TO THE SAME EXTENT AS THE



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1 OTHER THREE BOARD DISTRICTS, WHICH ARE FAIRLY CONSISTENT. THIS
2 IS A GRAPHIC THAT YOU'VE SEEN PREVIOUSLY. IT IS THE NUMBER
3 MUCH CASES THAT HAVE BEEN CLOSED BY EACH OF YOUR DISTRICTS AND
4 A BREAKDOWN OF WHAT'S LED TO THE CLOSURE. I WOULD POINT OUT
5 THAT WE'VE HAD ABOUT 3700 CASES TERMINATED IN ONE FORM OR
6 FASHION. I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT NUMBER ON THIS SLIDE IS
7 THE NUMBER THAT'S AT THE TOP RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE GRAPH, THE
8 2,340 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN TERMINATED BECAUSE OF 12
9 MONTHS MUCH NO NEW ARRESTS AND NO NEW INCARCERATIONS. WHEN YOU
10 PUT THAT IN CONTEXT OF 14,000 OFFENDERS, THAT DOESN'T SEEM
11 LIKE A LARGE NUMBER. HOWEVER, A VAST MAJORITY, OR A
12 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF THOSE 14,000 OFFENDERS HAVE NOT BEEN IN
13 THE PROGRAM YET FOR 12 MONTHS. IF YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER THAT
14 HAVE BEEN IN THE PROGRAM FOR 12 MONTHS WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN
15 ELIGIBLE FOR TERMINATION FOR 12 MONTHS OF GOOD BEHAVIOR, IT'S
16 A LITTLE BIT OVER 5700 THAT COULD HAVE BEEN TERMINATED FOR 12
17 MONTHS OF GOOD BEHAVIOR. SO WE'VE GOT 2300 OF THEM HAVE BEEN
18 TERMINATED, WHICH IS ABOUT A 40 PERCENT, WHAT I WOULD CALL A
19 MINIMUM TIME TERMINATION, WHICH IS A GOOD THING. THEY'VE
20 STAYED OUT OF TROUBLE FOR 12 STRAIGHT MONTHS UPON RELEASE.
21 STAFFING UPDATE. AS HAS BEEN WELL DISCUSSED AND DOCUMENTED, WE
22 CONTINUE TO PURSUE FILLING OUR VACANCIES. OUR BUDGETED
23 VACANCIES. WE HAVE 363 BUDGETED D.P.O.2 ITEMS FOR THIS
24 PROGRAM. WE'VE FILLED 187 OF THEM. WE HAVE 176 THAT CONTINUE
25 TO BE VACANT. WE HAVE MADE PROMOTIONAL OFFERS OR TRANSFER



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1 OFFERS FOR 149 OF THOSE POSITIONS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT NOT ALL
2 OF THOSE WILL GO THROUGH. SO WE ARE BALL-PARKING SOMEWHERE IN
3 THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF ABOUT 47 VACANCIES THAT WE HAVEN'T YET
4 IDENTIFIED PERSONNEL TO FILL AT THIS POINT. GOING INTO A
5 LITTLE BIT MORE IN DEPTH, WE HAVEN'T HAD THIS DISCUSSION
6 PREVIOUSLY ON THE STAFFING UPDATE, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE
7 HAVE COMMITTED TO DOING WITH RESPECT TO FILLING THESE
8 POSITIONS IS TO MAKING SURE THAT THE STAFF THAT WE ARE
9 PROMOTING INTO THESE POSITIONS ARE APPROPRIATE. IN OTHER
10 WORDS, THEY DON'T HAVE WORK RESTRICTIONS THAT WOULD PREVENT
11 THEM FROM DOING THE TASKS, THE DUTIES. THEY'RE NOT CURRENTLY
12 UNDERGOING ANY SORT OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION. AND ADDITIONALLY
13 THEY HAVE TO PASS OUR FIELD PROBATION OFFICER CORE OR THE
14 STATE'S FIELD PROBATION OFFICER TRAINING, WHICH IS 248 HOURS.
15 THE OFFICE SPACE UPDATE, YOU SEE THAT ON YOUR SLIDE. WE ARE
16 AGGRESSIVELY PURSUING OFFICE SPACE. WE CERTAINLY ARE -- WE
17 HAVE IDENTIFIED SEVERAL THAT YOU SEE WHERE IT SAYS LEASE
18 EXECUTED. WE NEED HELP FROM OUR LOCAL CONSTITUENCY, OR ANYONE
19 OUT THERE WHO IS WATCHING WHO MAY KNOW OF OFFICE SPACE FOR OUR
20 EAST SAN GABRIEL AREA, OUR SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA, SOUTH
21 BAY, SOUTH L.A. AND WEST LOS ANGELES. WE ARE STILL PURSUING
22 SPACE FOR THOSE. FRANKLY, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT MAKES
23 ACQUIRING SPACE PROBLEMATIC FOR US IS WE'RE NOT LOCATING A
24 LIBRARY. WE'RE LOCATING A FACILITY IN WHICH OFFENDERS WILL BE
25 REPORTING. SO WE HAVE TO BE SENSITIVE TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT



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1 WE'RE DOING THIS IN. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT
2 ADJACENT TO SCHOOLS AND PARKS AND DAYCARE CENTERS AND THINGS
3 LIKE THAT. CERTAINLY IF WE WERE LOOKING FOR A LIBRARY, I THINK
4 WE COULD PROBABLY SITE THESE LOCATIONS FAIRLY EASILY AND
5 QUICKLY. WE'VE PREVIOUSLY HAD DISCUSSIONS ON RECIDIVISM. I'M
6 NOT GOING TO GO TOO MUCH INTO THIS OTHER THAN TO SAY WE'VE HAD
7 SOME VERY PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT
8 PARTNERS, WITH TREATMENT PROVIDERS AND WITH OTHERS AROUND WHAT
9 WOULD BE AN ACCEPTABLE RECIDIVISM DEFINITION GOING FORWARD.
10 THIS IS A REPEAT OF A SLIDE THAT I GAVE YOU LAST MONTH. WHEN
11 WE GET OUR THIRD MONTH, WE WILL SHOW YOU SOME TRENDED DATA ON
12 HOW THESE NUMBERS ARE CHANGING, BUT IT REALLY DOESN'T HELP
13 AFTER JUST TWO MONTHS TO DO IT. SO THE THIRD MONTH WE'LL GIVE
14 YOU TREND DATA. BUT ESSENTIALLY THIS IS INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE
15 HAD THEIR SUPERVISION TERMINATED OR ARE NO LONGER UNDER
16 JURISDICTION AND THE RECIDIVISM RATE FOR THOSE POST-
17 TERMINATION, IN OTHER WORDS, HOW MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN
18 ARRESTED SINCE THEY GOT OFF OF THE PROGRAM. AND YOU SEE THOSE
19 THAT WERE RELEASED TO US IN OCTOBER OF 2012 AND SUCCESSFULLY
20 COMPLETED THE PROGRAM, 7.2 PERCENT OF THEM HAVE BEEN RE-
21 ARRESTED. AND IT GOES DOWN THE LINE. YOU WILL SEE, AS WE MOVE
22 FORWARD, THAT THAT 7.2 PERCENT NEXT MONTH WILL PROBABLY
23 INCREASE TO 8.5 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT BECAUSE THE LONGER
24 THEY'RE OUT, THE MORE OPPORTUNITY THEY HAVE TO BE ARRESTED.
25 THIS SIMPLY IS A GRAPH TO SHOW THE EFFORTS IN THE AREA OF



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1 WARRANTS. ANY TIME THE RED NUMBER IS ABOVE THE BLUE NUMBER IS
2 GOOD, IT MEANS THAT WE'RE CLEARING MORE WARRANTS THAN WERE
3 ISSUED. AND YOU CAN SEE IN MARCH WE DID A MUCH BETTER JOB. AND
4 I USE THE EDITORIAL "WE" AND THAT THE SHERIFF IS CERTAINLY
5 ACTIVELY ENGAGED. OUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS ARE
6 ACTIVELY ENGAGED, AS IS PROBATION ON THIS. ONE OF THE ISSUES
7 THAT WE DID NOT DISCUSS LAST MEETING WITH RESPECT TO WARRANTS,
8 SUPERVISOR MOLINA YOU ASKED THE QUESTION ABOUT THE 2100 OR SO
9 WARRANTS. A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OR SIGNIFICANT PORTION ON A
10 SLIDE FARTHER IN YOU'LL SEE IT, ARE RELATED TO INDIVIDUALS WHO
11 HAVE BEEN DEPORTED STRAIGHT FROM C.D.C.R. AND WHAT WE DO IS AS
12 THEY'RE TURNED OVER TO C.D.C.R., A WARRANT IS ENTERED IN THE
13 SYSTEM TO TOLL THEIR SUPERVISION TERMS SO THAT IF THEY DO
14 RETURN TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ARE RE-ARRESTED, WE WILL KNOW
15 THAT THEY'VE RETURNED TO THE COUNTY AND THAT WE STILL HAVE
16 JURISDICTION OVER THEM. YOU CAN SEE THAT WE'VE HAD THOSE RED
17 NUMBERS ARE INSTANCES IN WHICH INDIVIDUALS HAVE RETURNED AND
18 HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN ARRESTED. THIS SLIDE SIMPLY SHOWS YOU
19 THE BREAKDOWN BETWEEN TOTAL WARRANT NUMBERS. YOU CAN SEE
20 THEY'VE DROPPED FROM 2175 TO 2165. OF THAT NUMBER, ABOUT 1400
21 OF THEM ARE FOR ACTIVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY P.S.P.S. ABOUT 786
22 OF THEM, OR ABOUT A THIRD OF THEM ARE THAT PREVIOUS POPULATION
23 THAT I DISCUSSED, WHICH WAS THE DEPORTEES. I'D NOW LIKE TO
24 TURN IT OVER TO ASSISTANT SHERIFF RHAMBO TO DISCUSS THE
25 SHERIFF'S PORTION OF THIS.



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2 **CECIL RHAMBO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE
3 REPRESENTING SHERIFF BACA. I WILL DISCUSS THE ROLE THE SHERIFF
4 HAS PLAYED IN THE PAROLE COMPLIANCE AND IN WORKING WITH
5 INTERAGENCY AS WELL AS PROBATION DEPARTMENT. IF YOU LOOK AT
6 THE FIRST SLIDE, THIS REALLY DISCUSSES HOW MANY OF THE 1170-H
7 OR N3 INMATES WE HAVE INSIDE CUSTODY. AS YOU CAN SEE, WE'VE
8 LEVELED OFF AT ABOUT 5700, WHICH STARTED ACTUALLY IN JULY OF
9 LAST YEAR. THAT POPULATION HAS MAINTAINED THAT LEVEL FOR
10 SEVERAL MONTHS NOW GOING ON ALMOST A YEAR WITH THE RATE THAT
11 THEY COME IN AS WELL AS ARE RELEASED ALLOWS OUR POPULATION TO
12 STAY RELATIVELY STATIC. THAT NUMBER REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY
13 30 PERCENT OF OUR JAIL POPULATION, WHICH TODAY IS JUST OVER
14 18,500 INMATES. THIS IS A BREAKDOWN OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT ARE
15 PERFORMED BY THE L.A.S.D. TEAM. AS YOU RECALL, THE SHERIFF'S
16 DEPARTMENT HAS 50 DEPUTIES, ONE LIEUTENANT AND FIVE SERGEANTS
17 ASSIGNED AS WELL AS 13 PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBERS, FIVE OF
18 WHICH ARE CRIME ANALYSTS. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE TOTAL ACTIVITY,
19 THE P.S.P. ARRESTS TOTAL 605 SINCE THE INCEPTION. OTHER
20 ARRESTS INCLUDE THOSE CHARGES OF NARCOTICS ARRESTS OR CHARGES
21 OUTSIDE JUST THE PAROLEE-AT-LARGE ARREST, FIREARMS SEIZED. THE
22 PAROLEE-AT-LARGE ARRESTS, THE F.I.R.S AND THE OTHER FIELD
23 ACTIVITY THAT TAKES PLACE FOR DEALING WITH THE PAROLE
24 COMPLIANCE TEAMS, THE COMPLIANCE CHECKS IN CONJUNCTION WITH
25 PROBATION, THE NUMBERS THERE AT 1981. NO SHOW LOCATIONS IN



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1 WHICH THE TEAM GOES OUT AND TRIES TO LOCATE THE PAROLEE OR THE
2 POST-RELEASED PERSON, THOSE ARE 376. WE'VE DONE OVER 1800
3 ADDRESS VERIFICATIONS FOR PROBATION AND CONDUCTED OVER 670
4 OPERATIONS. COMPLIANCE CHECKS. THESE AGAIN, THIS DISCUSSES THE
5 ACTIVITIES THAT WE PERFORM. PAROLE COMPLIANCE TEAM SINCE
6 IMPLEMENTATION HAS MADE APPROXIMATELY 1950 ARRESTS, INCLUDING
7 696 P.S.P. ARRESTS FOR CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS AND JUST VIOLATIONS
8 OF THE PROBATION, THEIR PROBATION GUIDELINES. MOST OF THOSE
9 ARRESTS, THE CRIMINAL ARRESTS REVOLVE AROUND NARCOTICS
10 POSSESSION. AND THERE HAVE BEEN 91 PAROLEE AT LARGE ARRESTS.
11 CONVERSELY, LOS ANGELES P.D., THEIR PAROLE COMPLIANCE UNIT HAS
12 MADE 270 ARRESTS. BUT I WANT TO ADD THAT THE LOS ANGELES
13 POLICE DEPARTMENT TASKED THEIR TEAMS WITH OTHER DUTIES OTHER
14 THAN DEALING WITH JUST THE PAROLEES FOR CHIEF POWERS. WHEN YOU
15 LOOK AT THE P.S.P. PALS WARRANT ARRESTS, JUST FOR THE WARRANT
16 ARRESTS ALONE, THEY COMPRISE 53 PERCENT OF OUR ARRESTS. THE
17 OTHER 47 PERCENT ARE ARRESTS FOR THE WARRANT WITH A SECONDARY
18 CHARGE SUCH AS POSSESSION OF NARCOTICS. THIS GRAPH GIVES US A
19 BREAKDOWN OR THIS SPREADSHEET GIVES YOU A BREAKDOWN OF THE
20 ARRESTS. 3455-A, WHICH ARE BENCH WARRANTS, THIS IS BY ALL
21 AGENCIES AS OF APRIL 10, 908. 3455-A FAILURES TO APPEAR ON
22 REVOCATION HEARINGS, THOSE ARE FOUR. 3455-A IS PETITION TO
23 REMOVE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION, WHICH REPRESENTS A VERY LARGE
24 NUMBER FOR US. AND THEN YOU HAVE 3455-B-1 WARRANTS FOR THE
25 PETITION TO REMOVE. AND THEN THE FINAL 3455 IS THE BASIC



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1 WARRANT. NOW, YOU NOTICE THESE NUMBERS MIGHT VARY A LITTLE BIT
2 BECAUSE THIS IS TAKEN OUT OF THE AUTOMATED JUSTICE SYSTEM AND
3 IT'S A SNAPSHOT IN THE DATE THAT WE TAKE THE INFORMATION. IN
4 OTHER WORDS, THIS INFORMATION IS COMPILED ON A DAILY BASIS.
5 THESE NUMBERS REPRESENT WHAT JUST THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS
6 DONE SINCE APRIL -- AS OF APRIL OF THIS YEAR. PURSUANT TO A
7 MOTION ON JULY 26 FROM THE BOARD, ONCE ABSCONDERS ARE
8 IDENTIFIED, EACH TEAM'S CRIME ANALYSTS CONDUCTS A COMPLETE
9 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION CHECKING A NUMBER OF DATABASES TO
10 LOCATE THEIR PAST ADDRESS, OR THEIR PRESENT ADDRESS, THEIR
11 ASSOCIATES, THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS, ANY NUMBER OF LEADS THAT CAN
12 LEAD US TO FIND THE PERSON WHO HAS ABSCONDED. OFTEN THE
13 ADDRESSES FOR ABSCONDERS ARE INCORRECT. THE PAROLE COMPLIANCE
14 DEPUTIES HAVE TO UTILIZE OTHER METHODS TO LOCATE THE P.S.P.,
15 BY FINDING A PHONE NUMBER, LOOKING UP A VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE
16 THROUGH OUR LICENSE PLATE SYSTEM, OR WE LOOK AT PAST ARREST
17 REPORTS. MANY, MANY MAN HOURS ARE USED TO FIND PAROLEES THAT
18 FAIL TO APPEAR DUE TO THE ERRONEOUS INFORMATION THAT'S OFTEN
19 GIVEN IN PAST ARRESTS OR EVEN JUST TRYING TO FIND WHERE
20 THEY'RE LIVING WITH ASSOCIATES, FAMILY AND FRIENDS OUT IN THE
21 COMMUNITY. FINALLY WE ALSO PUT OUT A TOP 10 MOST WANTED
22 PAROLEES AT LARGE. THIS LIST IS DISSEMINATED THROUGH OUR
23 J.D.I.X. IT'S SENT TO ALL THE STATION CAPTAINS AS WELL AS THE
24 PAC 50, WHICH INCLUDES ALL THE LOCAL AGENCIES AND IT'S ALSO
25 SENT OUT OF COUNTY, WHICH DESCRIBES THE INFORMATION PERTAINING



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1 TO THE PAROLEES THAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR. AND THAT CONCLUDES OUR
2 PRESENTATION AND I'LL TURN IT OVER TO DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
3 HEALTH.

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5 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MARVIN SOUTHARD,
6 DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. AND I WILL HIGHLIGHT AN
7 ONGOING PATTERN OF THE CARE BEING PROVIDED, INCLUDING A
8 SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT THAT WE'RE CONTINUING TO WORK ON AND
9 HIGHLIGHT, THEN, TWO EMERGING CONCERNS. SO AS YOU WILL NOTE
10 FROM THIS SLIDE, THE PATTERNS OF THE NUMBER OF ASSESSED AND
11 THOSE ACCEPTING TREATMENT AND THOSE REFUSING TREATMENT REMAIN
12 ABOUT THE SAME. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT HAS IMPROVED
13 SIGNIFICANTLY IS THAT WE HAVE NOW ENGAGED IN TREATMENT 65
14 PERCENT OF THE P.S.P.S WHO HAVE ACCEPTED REFERRALS. AND THAT,
15 THOUGH NOT WHERE WE NEED IT TO BE, HAS IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY
16 FROM THE 30 PERCENT IN 2011 AND THE 49 PERCENT IN 2012. THAT
17 IS A RESULT OF MORE AGGRESSIVE OUTREACH BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF
18 THE CHANGES IN THE CONDITIONS OF PROBATION AND PERHAPS EVEN
19 THE USE OF FLASH INCARCERATION. SO WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK
20 ON THE ISSUE OF ENGAGEMENT, BUT ARE GRATIFIED WITH THE
21 PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE. THE 544 N3S REPRESENT THE PEOPLE
22 WHO HAVE BEEN IN JAIL AND UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR TERM IN
23 JAIL HAVE BEEN REFERRED TO COMMUNITY TREATMENT. SO THOSE ARE
24 PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT LITERALLY IN A.B.109 BUT HAVE COMPLETED THE
25 PROGRAM AND ARE BEING REFERRED FOR CONTINUING MENTAL HEALTH



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1 TREATMENT. THE NEXT SLIDE INDICATES ONE OF OUR EMERGING
2 CONCERNS, WHICH IS THE MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDERS, OR,
3 RATHER, PEOPLE WHO WERE CONSIDERED MENTALLY DISORDERED
4 OFFENDERS BEFORE BEING RELEASED AND THEN COME INTO THE A.B.109
5 PROGRAM. THERE ARE ONLY FIVE INDIVIDUALS IN THIS CATEGORY IN
6 L.A. COUNTY, BUT THEY ARE HIGHLIGHTED HERE BECAUSE THEY ARE
7 QUITE COSTLY TO THE COUNTY, WHICH YOU CAN SEE ALSO ON THE NEXT
8 SLIDE. SO, FINALLY, AN EMERGENT ISSUE THAT IS JUST COMING TO
9 OUR ATTENTION IS THAT BEGINNING JULY 2013, REVOCATIONS FOR
10 STATE PAROLEES WILL BE HEARD IN THE LOCAL COURT SYSTEM. WE HAD
11 BEEN CONCERNED BECAUSE OUR IMPRESSION WAS THAT THERE MAY NOT
12 BE ENOUGH STATE RESOURCES TO PROVIDE THE MENTAL HEALTH
13 TREATMENT NEEDED BY THESE INDIVIDUALS WHEN THEY RETURN. WE
14 HAVE BEEN REASSURED BY C.D.C.R. THAT THEIR INTENTION IS TO
15 PROVIDE THE NECESSARY TREATMENT, BUT THE TEAM IS WORKING
16 TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT THAT IS, IN FACT, THE CASE.

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18 **JERRY POWERS:** I'LL ASK JOHN VIERNES OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO COME
19 TO THE MICROPHONE. OH, I'M SORRY, DR. FIELDING'S HERE, TO TALK
20 ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH OUTCOMES.

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU. THERE ARE A FEW COMMENTS
23 THAT I WOULD MAKE. ONE IS YOU CAN SEE BY THIS CHART THAT THE
24 TREND IS VERY POSITIVE IN TERMS OF THOSE P.S.P. TASK INITIAL
25 ASSESSMENTS. AND THAT'S BECAUSE IN THE FIRST THE BUMP-UP, IT



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1 WAS MAKING TREATMENT AS A CONDITION OF PROBATION; AND,
2 SECONDLY, WHEN YOU SEE THE INCREASE FROM THE FIRST QUARTER OF
3 2012/13 TO THE THIRD QUARTER, IT'S BECAUSE OF THE INCREASED
4 CAPACITY WITHIN OUR SYSTEM, WHICH IS, I THINK, A VERY
5 IMPORTANT DIRECTION.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DR. FIELDING, TAKE FULL
8 ADVANTAGE OF THE MICROPHONE, PLEASE.

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10 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU. I'M TRYING. I WILL TAKE FULL
11 ADVANTAGE. THE P.S.P.S ENTERING TREATMENT, WE SEE A CONTINUED
12 INCREASE. AND THAT'S BECAUSE OF AN INCREASE IN CAPACITY ONCE
13 AGAIN AND THE PROBATION MANDATE FOR TREATMENT AS A CONDITION
14 OF PROBATION. NEXT PLEASE? HERE WE SEE THE LENGTH OF TIME FROM
15 THE HUB TO THE CASC HAS DECREASED. THAT'S ACTUALLY VERY GOOD.
16 AND, FINALLY, THE NEXT SLIDE, THE PERCENTAGE THAT HAVE NOT
17 SHOWN UP WITHIN 30 DAYS HAS DECREASED FROM ABOUT 40 PERCENT TO
18 NOW ABOUT 6 PERCENT. AND THAT'S OBVIOUSLY BECAUSE, ONCE AGAIN,
19 THERE'S INCREASED PRESSURE FOR THEM, INCREASED REASON FOR THEM
20 TO SHOW UP IN A TIMELY MANNER. THERE ARE TWO EMERGENT ISSUES.
21 ONE, THERE IS A JURISDICTIONAL ISSUE. THERE ARE SOME OF THESE
22 INDIVIDUALS WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEMS THAT ARE BEING
23 REFERRED TO SPECIALTY COURTS, PARTICULARLY DRUG COURT, PROP 36
24 AND OTHERS, SO WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP TRACK OF THAT IS SOMETHING
25 WE HAVE TO DO. AND THEN, SECONDLY, THERE IS A DECREASED P.S.P.



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1 REFERRALS FROM THE HUBS, BUT AT THE SAME TIME INCREASED
2 REFERRALS FROM PROBATIONARY OFFICES FOR THOSE THAT HAVE NOT
3 EITHER GONE THROUGH TREATMENT OR WHO WERE REFERRED AND DIDN'T
4 SHOW UP THE FIRST TIME. SO THAT NUMBER NOW COMING FROM THE
5 PROBATIONARY OFFICES EXCEEDS THE NUMBER THAT IS COMING FROM
6 THE HUBS FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** DR. FIELDING, COULD I JUST INTERJECT A QUESTION
9 THERE? AS IT RELATES TO -- GO BACK TO THAT SLIDE, THE PREVIOUS
10 SLIDE? AS IT RELATES TO DRUG COURT AND PROPOSITION 36, ARE WE
11 GOING TO SEE OR HAVE WE SEEN ANY IMPACTS AS IT RELATES TO
12 REDUCTION IN COURTROOMS?

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14 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT,
15 SUPERVISOR. I DO KNOW THAT ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES TO US IS THAT
16 THERE ARE ADDITIONAL SLOTS THAT WE CAN ACCESS THROUGH THE DRUG
17 COURTS AND PROP 36. BUT I WILL ASK JOHN VIERNES IF WE HAVE ANY
18 OF THAT RELEVANT INFORMATION. DO WE?

19

20 **JOHN VIERNES:** THERE IS BEGINNING TO BE AN IMPACT WITH THE DRUG
21 COURTS BECAUSE THE SLOTS IN THE DRUG COURTS ARE ALSO
22 DECREASING.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DR. FIELDING?

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3 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT COMPLETES MY UPDATE. THANK YOU
4 VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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8 **JERRY POWERS:** I WILL GO QUICKLY TO WRAP THIS UP. WE WILL BE
9 COMING BACK TO YOU IN THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS TO BRING YOU SOME
10 OUTCOMES ON OUR C.B.O. CONTRACT AND TO DISCUSS EXTENSION OF
11 THAT. BEFORE YOU AS WE'VE OUTLINED PREVIOUSLY, WE HAVE SOME
12 EXAMPLES MUCH OUR A.B.109 TEAMWORK AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN
13 LAW ENFORCEMENT, PROBATION, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH AND
14 OUR COMMUNITY-BASED AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. THIS IS
15 REALLY A HIGHLIGHT OF OUR REENTRY STRATEGIES. AND I WON'T GO
16 THROUGH EACH OF THEM IN THE INTEREST OF BREVITY. BUT WE DO
17 KNOW THAT TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN GET THESE INDIVIDUALS
18 HOOKED INTO TREATMENT PRIOR TO THEIR RELEASE INTO OUR
19 COMMUNITIES, THE BETTER CHANCE WE HAVE FOR SUCCESS WITH THEM.
20 SO JUST AS A WAY OF REMINDER, WE DO GET THE INFORMATION FROM
21 C.D.C.R. THEIR PACKETS COME TO US PRIOR TO RELEASE. SO WE'RE
22 ACTUALLY PUTTING TOGETHER A TREATMENT PLAN, PREPARING
23 REFERRALS, BEFORE THEY GET HERE SO THAT WE LET C.D.C.R. KNOW
24 WHAT THE CONDITIONS OF PROBATION ARE WITH RESPECT TO
25 TREATMENT. WE'RE LOOKING AT RESIDENCY ISSUES, JOB TRAINING AND



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1 ALL OF THOSE SORT OF THINGS SO THAT WHEN THEY COME TO OUR HUB,
2 THEY ARE IMMEDIATELY GIVEN THE REFERRALS TO THE AGENCIES THAT
3 THEY NEED, WHETHER IT'S COUNTY-FUNDED AGENCIES OR COMMUNITY-
4 BASED AGENCIES. AND THEN ULTIMATELY THE SUPERVISION. BRIEFLY
5 TO DR. FIELDING'S COMMENT ABOUT THE HUB REFERRALS GOING DOWN
6 AND THE SUPERVISION REFERRALS GOING UP, AS I POINTED OUT
7 EARLIER, WE HAD ABOUT 1,000 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS REPORTING TO
8 OUR HUB AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS PROGRAM AND WE HAVE ABOUT 500
9 NOW. SO WE HAVE FEWER INDIVIDUALS REPORTING TO THE HUBS, BUT
10 NOW THESE INDIVIDUALS HAVE GOTTEN THROUGH THE SYSTEM AND ARE
11 NOW OUT AND ASSIGNED TO OUR SUPERVISION FIELD OFFICES. SO
12 THAT'S HOW THE YING AND YANG WORK OF THIS. AGAIN, MORE
13 INFORMATION ON OUR HEALTH RIGHT 360 AND OUR TREATMENT PROGRAM.
14 WE WILL COME BACK AND HAVE MUCH MORE DETAILED INFORMATION FOR
15 YOU ON THAT. DR. FIELDING AND DR. SOUTHARD ALSO HIT ON SOME OF
16 THESE OUTCOMES IN THEIR PRESENTATIONS, SO I WON'T RESTATE
17 THEM. A COUPLE OF JUST FINAL WRAP UP POINTS FOR YOU. I WAS AT
18 A MEETING YESTERDAY WITH C.D.C.R. AND THE ADMINISTRATION IN
19 SACRAMENTO, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE. AS YOU HAVE PROBABLY HEARD,
20 THE THREE-JUDGE PANEL HAS ORDERED THE STATE TO FILE A REPORT
21 BY NEXT THURSDAY DESCRIBING HOW THEY ARE GOING TO REDUCE THEIR
22 POPULATION BY ANOTHER 9,000 PRIOR TO THE END OF DECEMBER OF
23 THIS YEAR. THERE'S SIGNIFICANT CONCERN CERTAINLY IN LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY AND COUNTY STATEWIDE THAT ONE OF THEIR
25 PROPOSALS IN REDUCING THIS POPULATION IS TO FURTHER REALIGN



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1 MORE INDIVIDUALS TO US OR WHAT'S CALLED RE-ALIGNMENT 2. AS
2 PART OF THE DISCUSSION YESTERDAY, I THINK IT WAS VERY CLEARLY
3 STATED NOT ONLY BY MYSELF AND OTHERS FROM LOS ANGELES BUT
4 STATEWIDE. CSAC WERE THERE, THE SHERIFFS WERE THERE, THAT
5 UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WERE COUNTIES INTEREST IN EXPANDING THE
6 CURRENT RE-ALIGNMENT POPULATION. WE HAVE OUR HANDS FULL. AND,
7 FRANKLY, THAT THE SECOND ALTERNATIVE THAT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN
8 DISCUSSED BY SOME, WHICH IS EARLY RELEASE OF THE STATE
9 PRISONERS, WAS ALSO NOT AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE FROM A
10 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSPECTIVE. FRANKLY, I THINK IT WAS ALSO VERY
11 CLEARLY COMMUNICATED THAT THERE IS CAPACITY OUT THERE THAT THE
12 STATE COULD GO FIND. AND THAT WAS OUR PREFERENCE. GO FIND SOME
13 CAPACITY THAT GETS YOU INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THIS COURT ORDER.
14 BUT CERTAINLY DON'T TRY AND TRANSITION OR TRANSFER THESE
15 ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS ONTO THE COUNTY COFFERS AND COUNTY
16 SERVICES. WE HAVE A HEARING NEXT WEEK ON OUR M.D.O.
17 LEGISLATION, THE M.D.O. THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS SPONSORED.
18 I THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE SOME DIALOGUE HERE THIS WEEK ABOUT
19 THAT. AND THEN THE LAST TWO THINGS. EVERY THURSDAY EVENING AT
20 7:00, I BELIEVE IT IS, ASSISTANT CHIEF MARGARITA PEREZ AND THE
21 DEPARTMENT HAVE TEAMED UP WITH FOX CHANNEL 11 TO DO AN L.A.'S
22 MOST WANTED EPISODE EVERY THURSDAY, HIGHLIGHTING FIVE
23 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ABSCONDERS, P.S.P. ABSCONDERS AND
24 SOLICITING THE PUBLIC'S HELP IN RETURNING THESE INDIVIDUALS TO
25 US. WE HAVE HAD INFORMATION FORWARDED TO US BY THE PUBLIC. WE



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1 HAVE BEEN DOING THIS ABOUT FOUR WEEKS NOW. SO WE'RE CERTAINLY
2 PLEASED WITH THAT PARTNERSHIP. THE LAST THING IS THAT WE HAVE
3 RECENTLY BEGUN, AND BECAUSE IT'S ONGOING, WE WON'T REALLY
4 FINISH THIS UNTIL NEXT WEEK. WE ARE CURRENTLY CONDUCTING AN
5 OPERATION, A COMPLIANCE OPERATION IN ALL FIVE OF YOUR
6 DISTRICTS DEALING WITH SOME OF THESE P.S.P.S, ABOUT 175 OF
7 THEM. I CAN REPORT TO YOU IT'S MY S.E.O. OFFICERS WHO ARE OUT
8 THERE DOING IT. WE'VE HAD SOME INTERESTING DISCOVERIES AS PART
9 OF THIS. AND I WILL GIVE YOU MORE INFORMATION TO YOUR OFFICES
10 AFTER IT'S COMPLETELY WRAPPED UP BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO
11 JEOPARDIZE ANY OF THE INFORMATION. BUT WE HAVE FOUND
12 INDIVIDUALS, SEX OFFENDERS IN POSSESSION OF LAPTOPS, WE HAVE
13 FOUND THEM LIVING WITH CHILDREN, WE HAVE FOUND INDIVIDUALS
14 WITH HEROIN. WE'VE CONFISCATED WEAPONS. WE FOUND INDIVIDUALS
15 WHO DIDN'T GIVE US THEIR ACCURATE ADDRESS AND WHEN WE RUN THEM
16 DOWN, WE SEE THEY'RE LIVING NEXT TO DAYCARE CENTERS AND LIVING
17 WITH GIRLFRIENDS WHO HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN. WE'VE SEEN VIDEO ON
18 COMPUTERS THAT WAS INAPPROPRIATE AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO WE
19 ARE OUT THERE BEING PROACTIVE AND PARTNERING WITH OUR LAW
20 ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS. AND AT THIS POINT, I WOULD BE MORE THAN
21 HAPPY OR WE WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
22 YOU MIGHT HAVE.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
25 YOUR PRESENTATION. SUPERVISOR KNABE WISHES TO BE HEARD. BUT



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1 PRIOR TO THAT, JUST A BRIEF SET OF REMARKS FROM MARK DELGADO,
2 AN UPDATE ON OUR MOST RECENT DISCUSSION AT C.C.D.

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4 **JERRY POWERS:** I APOLOGIES FOR THAT. I MEANT TO.

5

6 **MARK DELGADO:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I THINK YOU'RE
7 REFERENCING THE MOST RECENT DISCUSSION ON RECIDIVISM? OKAY. SO
8 WE AS CHIEF POWERS MENTIONED HAVE HAD NUMEROUS DISCUSSIONS ON
9 THE DEFINITION OF RECIDIVISM. AND I THINK THE OVERALL PURPOSE
10 HERE IS TO TRY TO COME UP WITH A PROPOSED DEFINITION THAT
11 THERE COULD BE SOME COMMON AGREEMENT ON WITH THE UNDERSTANDING
12 THAT ONLY COMMON AGREEMENT ON WHAT IS RECIDIVISM CAN WE
13 ACTUALLY START TO MEASURE AND COMPARE JUSTICE OUTCOMES FROM
14 ONE PROGRAM TO ANOTHER AND FROM HOW OUR COUNTY OPERATES TO HOW
15 OTHER COUNTIES OPERATE THROUGHOUT THE STATE. AND SO THE CHIEF
16 MENTIONED THERE HAVE BEEN SOME GOOD DISCUSSIONS ON THIS. AND I
17 THINK WHILE WE CERTAINLY WANT TO HAVE SOME MORE DISCUSSIONS
18 WITH OUR PARTNERS, THE MOST RECENT FEEDBACK WE'RE GETTING FROM
19 DEPARTMENTS IS AN INTEREST IN TRYING TO BE AS CONSISTENT WITH
20 STATE DEFINITION OF RECIDIVISM THAT THE STATE HAS PREVIOUSLY
21 USED, PRIMARILY MEASURING A RETURN TO CUSTODY AS THE BENCHMARK
22 FOR WHAT RECIDIVISM WOULD AMOUNT TO. SO IF THEY WERE TO
23 TRANSLATE THAT TO L.A. COUNTY'S WORK HERE, A SIMILAR
24 DEFINITION WOULD LOOK LIKE A RETURN TO EITHER COUNTY JAIL OR
25 STATE PRISON CUSTODY, AS THOSE WOULD BOTH INDICATE SOME KIND



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1 OF NONCOMPLIANT OR CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR THAT THE STATE PREVIOUSLY
2 WOULD HAVE MEASURED AS A RECIDIVIST ACT.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THIS DISCUSSION ON
5 RECIDIVISM CONTINUES. AND CHIEF POWERS, MR. DELGADO, LET'S
6 PLAN TO DRILL DOWN WITH MORE CLARITY AT OUR NEXT PRESENTATION.
7 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE ANY WAY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, AT LEAST AT A
10 COUNTY LEVEL THAT WE CAN EXEMPT THESE SEX OFFENDERS FROM
11 PARTICIPATING IN THE G.P.S. SYSTEM?

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** EXEMPT THEM FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE G.P.S.
14 MONITORING?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** MAKE THEM NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THAT.

17

18 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL, THEY ARE ELIGIBLE POST RELEASE. IN OTHER
19 WORDS, THEY'VE COMPLETED ALL OF THEIR CUSTODY TIME. IT
20 WOULDN'T BE AN OPTION TO CUSTODY. THAT'S NOT HOW WE USE IT IN
21 L.A. COUNTY, ANYWAYS. THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SEX OFFENDERS
22 WHO ARE ON G.P.S. HAVE COMPLETED THEIR ENTIRE CUSTODY TERM. SO
23 IT'S NOT IN LIEU OF CUSTODY, SUPERVISOR. SO IT'S IN ADDITION
24 TO.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S STILL SENTENCES. IF THEY'RE NOT UNDER
2 SENTENCE, WHY ARE THEY WEARING G.P.S.?

3

4 **JERRY POWERS:** BECAUSE WE CAN MAKE THEM, FRANKLY. IT'S A
5 SUPERVISION TOOL. IT'S NOT SEEN AS A SANCTION OR IN LIEU OF
6 CUSTODY.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** AND IF THEY TAMPER WITH THEM OR BREAK THE SYSTEM,
9 THEN THEY GO IMMEDIATELY BACK TO STATE PRISON?

10

11 **JERRY POWERS:** WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO SANCTION THEM, NOT
12 NECESSARILY SEND THEM TO STATE PRISON. THERE ISN'T A LAW THAT
13 ALLOWS THAT. BUT IF THEY'RE UNDER SUPERVISION, IF THEY HAVE
14 TERMS OF SUPERVISION WHICH REQUIRE THEY BE G.P.S.'D, THEN,
15 YES, WE CAN RETURN THEM TO CUSTODY FOR CUTTING A STRAP IF
16 THAT'S YOUR QUESTION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** YEP. THE OTHER ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO ABSCONDERS.
19 ARE WE TRACKING THE COST OF THAT PARTICULAR AREA? I MEAN, ONE
20 OF THE THINGS IT SEEMS TO ME IT'S A VERY LABOR INTENSIVE
21 ISSUE. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO AUTOMATICALLY REPORT TO US. DUH,
22 YOU'RE A BAD GUY OR GIRL, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO COME DOWN AND
23 RUN INTO OPEN ARMS. BUT THAT SEEMS TO BE AN EVER PRESENT
24 ADDITIONAL EXPENSE, AS AN EXAMPLE. SO ARE WE WATCHING THAT AS
25 IT RELATES TO POTENTIAL 109 FUNDING ISSUES?



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JERRY POWERS: WELL WE'RE CERTAINLY PROVIDING A SIGNIFICANT
AMOUNT OF FUNDING TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THAT
SPECIFIC ISSUE, FOR ABSCONDERS. WE HAVE ALSO EXPENDED
RESOURCES, L.A.P.D. WILL TELL YOU THAT THEY SPEND SIGNIFICANT
RESOURCES. I'M SURE WE COULD GIVE YOU A TOTAL WITH SOME TIME.
I WILL TELL YOU THAT ABSCONDERS WE KNOW ARE THE HIGHEST RISK.
BECAUSE THERE'S A REASON THEY ABSCONDED. THEY DON'T WANT TO
COMPLY. I WILL SAY THAT THE STATE'S RATE OF ABSCONDERS IS 13,
14 PERCENT, SOMETHING LIKE THAT. OURS IS SOMEWHERE AROUND 10
OR 11 PERCENT. SO WE'RE REALLY NOT ANY WORSE THAN THE STATE'S
RATE.

13

SUP. KNABE: WHETHER IT'S 10 PERCENT OR 13 PERCENT, THE POINT
IS IT'S A VERY LABOR- INTENSIVE PROPOSITION. YOU NEED TO
VALIDATE THAT SOMEHOW AS IT RELATES TO PROP 109 FUNDING.

17

JERRY POWERS: DEFINITELY.

19

SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

21

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. ANY
OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO WISH TO POSE QUESTIONS TO THE
TEAM HERE? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THEN THERE ARE SEVERAL

24



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1 PERSONS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD BY PUBLIC COMMENT, APPROXIMATELY
2 20 SUCH PERSONS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST A FOLLOW UP ON THAT ONE QUESTION THAT
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE HAD RAISED. YOU SAID IF THEY CUT THE STRAP ON
6 G.P.S., THEY COULD THEN BE INCARCERATED AGAIN. BUT THAT
7 INCARCERATION WOULD EXCEED 12 MONTHS OR IT'S LESS THAN 12
8 MONTHS?

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** NO. IT WOULD BE SEEN AS A REVOCATION. IT'S NOT A
11 NEW CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

14

15 **JERRY POWERS:** IT'S SIMPLY A REVOCATION. IT COULD BE A FEW DAYS
16 UNDER A FLASH TERM OR IT COULD BE UP TO 90 DAYS ACTUAL ON A
17 REVOCATION.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU HAVE A SEX OFFENDER WHO DOES THAT,
20 YOU'RE ONLY TALKING ABOUT 90 DAYS OR LESS?

21

22 **JERRY POWERS:** CORRECT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU'VE HAD PEOPLE IN CALIFORNIA WHO HAVE
2 ALREADY COMMITTED CRIMES WHO HAVE DONE THAT. SO IT'S REALLY
3 NOT A DETERRENT.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** EXCUSE ME, SUPERVISOR. THERE ARE TWO BILLS
6 PENDING NOW, A.B.63 AND S.B.57, ONE FROM ASSEMBLYMAN
7 PATTERSON, ANOTHER ONE FROM SENATOR LIU, THAT WOULD INCREASE
8 THE CRIMINAL PENALTIES. ONE IS SET FOR HEARING TODAY IN THE
9 SENATE'S PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. THE SECOND -- THAT'S S.B.57.
10 THE SECOND, A.B.63, IS PENDING A HEARING DATE. BUT THERE ARE
11 TWO BILLS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. SO THERE'S LEGISLATION. HOWEVER, WHEN
14 WE WERE TOLD ABOUT 109 FROM THE GOVERNOR PERSONALLY AND FROM
15 OTHERS, WE WERE NOT GOING TO HAVE THESE TYPES OF SITUATIONS.
16 AND YET WE ARE. AND IT'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM. IT'S GOING TO END
17 UP AS IT IS CURRENTLY IMPACTING EVERY COMMUNITY WITH THESE
18 TYPES OF INDIVIDUALS RUNNING BASICALLY LOOSE BECAUSE THEY HAVE
19 NO DETERRENT IF THEY CAN CUT THE STRAP AND COMMIT THEIR CRIME.
20 SECONDLY, WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT WHEN YOU SAY THE NO SHOW
21 RATES FOR JOB READINESS PLACEMENT IS 64 PERCENT?

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** I'LL LET DEPUTY CHIEF BINGHAM RESPOND TO THAT.

24



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1 **REAVER BINGHAM:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WHAT IT MEANS AGAIN IS
2 THAT THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WERE REFERRED FOR EMPLOYMENT
3 SERVICES UNDER THE CURRENT CONTRACT WITH HEALTH RIGHT 360 ARE
4 FAILING TO AVAIL THEMSELVES TO SAID SERVICES AT A RATE OF
5 ABOUT 60 PERCENT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DOES THE CONTRACT FUND FOR THESE
8 SERVICES, IF AN INDIVIDUAL FAILS TO SHOW, DOES THE CONTRACTOR
9 GET REIMBURSED FOR ANY COSTS INCURRED? OR DO THEY GET PAID FOR
10 DELIVERING ACTUAL SERVICES?

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12 **REAVER BINGHAM:** THEY GET PAID FOR DELIVERING ACTUAL SERVICES.
13 THE CURRENT CONTRACT IS A FEE-FOR-SERVICE CONTRACT, SO THEY
14 ONLY GET PAID FOR THE SERVICES DELIVERED.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THOSE WHO SHOW UP, DO YOU KNOW WHAT
17 PERCENT GET PLACED IN JOBS?

18

19 **REAVER BINGHAM:** THE PLACEMENT PERCENTAGES ARE FAIRLY LOW AT
20 THIS JUNCTURE. I THINK SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE PROGRAM,
21 THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN 30 INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE BEEN PLACED.
22 WE'RE DOING A COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF OUR REFERRAL PROCESS. AT
23 THE EARLY STAGES OF OUR USE OF THE EMPLOYMENT PART OF THE
24 CONTRACT, THERE WERE SOME REFERRALS THAT WERE MADE PROBABLY
25 THAT WERE NOT APPROPRIATE. WE HAVE REFINED THE PROCESS NOW TO



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1 ENSURE THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE ARE REFERRING ARE MORE
2 JOB-READY THAN PREVIOUSLY. SO WE HOPE TO SEE OUR OUTCOMES
3 IMPROVE IN THE FUTURE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS IT RELATES TO THE STAFFING SLIDE THAT YOU
6 HAD SHOWN THE BOARD, YOU INDICATE THAT NEW ARRESTS MAY APPEAR
7 FROM FINGERPRINT DATA. ARE THESE ARRESTS THAT HAVE BEEN
8 REPORTED BY STAFF?

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** IN SOME INSTANCES, YES. IN SOME INSTANCES, NO.
11 WE DO HAVE CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH STAFF WERE ARRESTED AND DID
12 NOT REPORT THEM TO US. AND SOMETIMES PRIOR TO THEIR EMPLOYMENT
13 THE ARREST OCCURRED AND NOW THAT THEY'VE SUBMITTED TO THE
14 AUTOMATED FINGERPRINT, IT POPS UP. IN THOSE CASES, THE STAFF
15 WOULD HAVE HAD TO HAVE BEEN DISHONEST ON THEIR BACKGROUND
16 APPLICATION AND THEY'RE SUBJECT TO TERMINATION FOR THAT. IN
17 SOME INSTANCES, STAFF DID TELL US YES, I WAS ARRESTED. AND
18 THIS POPS UP ON THEIR FINGER PRINT. IT WAS A D.U.I. OR
19 SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE HAVE BEEN PEOPLE TERMINATED BECAUSE
22 OF PRIOR ARRESTS THAT WERE NOT REPORTED?

23

24 **JERRY POWERS:** ABSOLUTELY.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DR. SOUTHARD AND ALSO MR. POWERS, THE
2 REPORT REFERENCES FORMERLY MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDERS AND
3 THE MENTALLY FRAGILE. ARE THESE TWO DIFFERENT POPULATIONS OR
4 THE SAME?

5

6 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** SUPERVISOR, THEY ARE VERY DIFFERENT
7 POPULATIONS. THE MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDER IS A LEGAL
8 CATEGORY. AND OUR CONCERN HAD BEEN WHO TO HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED
9 FROM A.B.109. AND WHAT WE HAVE FOUND IS SOME PEOPLE ARE RE-
10 CATEGORIZED PRIOR TO RELEASE AND THEN BECOME A.B.109 AND
11 BECOME OUR RESPONSIBILITY. MEDICALLY FRAGILE COULD BE SOMEBODY
12 WHO ARE IN PRISON AND HAVE A VENTILATOR OR SOME MEDICAL
13 PROBLEM THAT MAKES THEM DIFFICULT TO PLACE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE MEDICALLY FRAGILE WOULD NOT BE
16 THE MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDER.

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18 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY WOULD THEY BE IN MENTAL HEALTH?

21

22 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** THEY'RE NOT IN MENTAL HEALTH, SUPERVISOR.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ONE DEALS WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
25 AND THE OTHER ONE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.



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2 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** EXACTLY. AND WE'VE GOT ABOUT -- THE NUMBER I
3 HEARD WAS FIVE MEDICALLY FRAGILE INDIVIDUALS. THESE ARE
4 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE WHEELCHAIR BOUND, NOT ABLE TO ESSENTIALLY
5 LEAVE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE THE SERVICES THAT WE ARE PROVIDING
8 THESE INDIVIDUALS IN BOTH CATEGORIES? AND WHAT IS THE COST?

9

10 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** I'LL DEAL WITH THE MENTALLY DISORDERED
11 OFFENDER CATEGORY, SUPERVISOR. THE SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED
12 TO THE FIVE IN THAT CATEGORY DEPEND ON THE LEVEL OF THEIR
13 IMPAIRMENT. AND ALL OF THEM ARE FAIRLY SIGNIFICANTLY IMPAIRED,
14 SO ONE IS AWAITING STATE HOSPITAL PLACEMENT. THAT'S THE MOST
15 EXPENSIVE ONE. OTHERS ARE IN I.M.D. STEP DOWN, WHICH ARE STILL
16 EXPENSIVE BUT NOT NEARLY AS INTENSIVE. BUT THEY'RE ALL
17 INTENSIVE TREATMENT AND THE COSTS ARE SPECIFIC TO THE
18 INDIVIDUAL.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WE WILL HAVE HOSPITAL BEDS FOR BOTH
21 CATEGORIES?

22

23 **REAVES BINGHAM:** IF I COULD ADDRESS THE MEDICALLY FRAGILE, WE
24 ARE WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES ON A
25 PROTOCOL TO HELP US FACILITATE SERVICES FOR THE MEDICALLY



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1 FRAGILE. CURRENTLY WHAT WE'RE DOING IS PROVIDING SKILLED
2 NURSING FACILITIES FOR THEM AND THAT'S AT A RATE OF ABOUT
3 \$4,000 A MONTH.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE STATE GIVES US \$4,000 A MONTH FOR
6 EACH ONE?

7

8 **REAVER BINGHAM:** WELL, IT'S CURRENTLY BEING PAID FOR OUT OF OUR
9 ALLOCATION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUT OF THE ALLOCATION.

12

13 **REAVER BINGHAM:** CORRECT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY ARE COVERING THE \$4,000?

16

17 **REAVER BINGHAM:** IN A SENSE, YES, BASED UPON THE ALLOCATION
18 THAT'S BEEN PROVIDED WE HAVE CARVED OUT AN AMOUNT TO COVER
19 THAT COST.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO OUR COSTS ARE BEING COVERED RIGHT NOW?

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** JUST TO BE CLEAR, SUPERVISOR, THERE WAS NOT A
24 PORTION OF THE FUNDING FACTOR DID NOT INCLUDE THE COSTS
25 ASSOCIATED WITH HOSPITALIZATION OF MEDICALLY FRAGILE. THE WAY



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1 THAT THE FUNDING STRUCTURE WAS PUT TOGETHER, IT WAS BASED
2 SIMPLY ON NUMBER OF HEADS AND WHAT THE MARGINAL COST WAS FOR A
3 PRISON BED VERSUS -- SO THERE IS NOT A SET ASIDE FOR MEDICALLY
4 FRAGILE INDIVIDUALS IN THE A.B.109 ALLOCATION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE ALL KNOW WE HAVE A DIFFICULT TIME
7 PROVIDING THE MEDICAL CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE -- WE SERVE. NOW
8 THIS IS A NEW POPULATION THAT THE STATE IS SENDING US, AND
9 THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY FOR BED SPACE WHEN
10 NEEDED. THEY GO TO THE HEAD OF THE LINE, WHICH DISENFRANCHISES
11 THE OTHER PEOPLE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE ATTEMPTING TO
12 USE THAT BED FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES. THIS IS KIND OF -- NOT KIND
13 OF. THIS IMPACTS 58 COUNTIES' MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDING THE
14 POPULATION. AND, AGAIN, THESE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD HAVE BEEN
15 TREATED BY THE STATE IN STATE PENITENTIARY MEDICAL FACILITIES,
16 NOT PUT ON THE BACK OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS USING OUR BEDS THAT
17 ARE LIMITED FOR THOSE NEEDS. THAT'S WHERE I HAVE A PROBLEM. WE
18 HAVE A PROBLEM WITH MENTAL HEALTH. HAVING MENTAL HEALTH
19 SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. AND NOW
20 WE'RE GETTING A NEW POPULATION THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE
21 RESPONSIBLE FOR, A VERY DANGEROUS POPULATION. AND IT, AGAIN,
22 SHOW WHY THIS LAW NEEDS TO BE REPEALED AND THERE HAS TO BE
23 MODIFICATIONS, OTHERWISE WE IMPACT EVERY LEVEL OF THE SERVICES
24 THAT WE PROVIDE. MR. FUJIOKA, I UNDERSTAND AFTER JUNE WHEN THE
25 BOARD OF PAROLE HEARINGS SHIFTS TO LOCAL COURTS AND COUNTIES



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1 TO HANDLE PAROLE REVOCATIONS THAT THE COUNTIES WILL NEED TO
2 SUPPLY DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS, PUBLIC DEFENDERS AND
3 ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDERS FOR THE PROCESS WITH NO ADDITIONAL
4 FUNDING FROM THE STATE. HOW DO WE HANDLE THAT?

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE WAS ACTUALLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF MONEY
7 IDENTIFIED FOR THE REVOCATION PROCESS, BUT YOU'RE RIGHT. LIKE
8 THE REST OF THIS PROGRAM, THE AMOUNT THAT WAS PROVIDED WILL
9 PROBABLY NOT MEET THE TOTAL NEED. WE'RE LOOKING AT THAT RIGHT
10 NOW. WE'RE WORKING WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE JUSTICE COMMUNITY,
11 FROM THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, A.P.D., D.A. AND EVEN OUR PROBATION
12 DEPARTMENT TO IDENTIFY THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT EFFORT.
13 BUT THERE WAS A SMALL AMOUNT.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY DOES REQUIRE
16 ADDITIONAL DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS. THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
17 REQUIRES MORE BECAUSE OF ATTRITION AND OTHER SHORTFALLS. SO
18 NOW WE HAVE A NEW POPULATION THAT WE HAVE TO PROSECUTE AND
19 DEFEND. HOW ARE WE FACTORING THAT INTO OUR 2012/13 BUDGET?

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21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHEN WE COME FORWARD WITH THE BUDGET PLAN FOR
22 THE ENTIRE A.B.109 PROGRAM, WE WILL ADDRESS THAT, THAT
23 PARTICULAR PROGRAM, THE REVOCATION PROGRAM. IT WILL BE IN OUR
24 PROPOSAL.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROBLEM IS WE'RE NEVER GOING TO HAVE THE
2 ADEQUATE FUNDS TO DO WHAT WE WERE NOT REQUIRED OR LET'S SAY
3 HAD THE ABILITY TO DO AND THAT'S TO BE THE STATE PENITENTIARY
4 FOR EACH, LET'S SAY EACH OF THE 58 COUNTIES TO BECOME THE
5 STATE PENITENTIARY WITH ALL FULL SERVICES THAT THEY PROVIDE ON
6 OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES, AT OUR LOCAL HOSPITALS, OUR LOCAL
7 JUSTICE AGENCIES, BE IT PUBLIC DEFENDER, DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ON
8 THE LOCAL COURTS. AND IT'S A SERIOUS, SERIOUS PROBLEM. NOW, I
9 KNOW THE STATE HAS A PAROLE BOARD THAT DOES THE HEARINGS. DO
10 WE LOOK AT HAVING SOMETHING COMPARABLE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL?

11

12 **JERRY POWERS:** THAT'S WHAT THE COURTS WILL BE DOING IN JULY.
13 THEY WILL TAKE OVER FOR THE PAROLE BOARD WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
14 LIFER HEARINGS. THE COURTS WILL BECOME THE PAROLE BOARD.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS WHAT'S SO STUPID. STUPID AND ASININE.
17 THEY ARE CLOSING COURTHOUSES TODAY BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE
18 MONEY FOR THE JUDGES, RIGHT? THEY'RE CLOSING COURTHOUSES.
19 WE'RE HAVING PEOPLE DRIVE FROM ONE END OF THIS COUNTY TO
20 ANOTHER. AND I'M SURE THE OTHER 57 COUNTIES HAVE THE SAME
21 PROBLEM. HOW ARE WE GOING TO HANDLE THIS NEW POPULATION
22 INCREASE, WHICH IS AN UNFUNDED MANDATE? THEY'RE NOT GIVING US
23 MONEY TO OPEN THE COURTS. BUT THEY'RE GIVING US THE BODIES TO
24 FILL THOSE COURTS IN JUDICIAL HEARINGS.

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1 **JERRY POWERS:** I CAN TELL YOU -- I CAN'T SPEAK FOR THE COURTS
2 BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT THEY DID NOT SEEK OUT THAT
3 RESPONSIBILITY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, NO. THEY DIDN'T. THE GOVERNOR WAS ON MARS
6 WHEN THIS BILL WAS PASSED BECAUSE THESE ARE IMPACTS THAT ARE
7 IMPACTING THE ENTIRE -- THE ENTIRE SOCIAL FABRIC OF EVERY
8 COUNTY IN THE STATE. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NOT JUST THE
9 COUNTY, THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE OUT THE COUNTY. THAT'S WHY THE LAW
10 NEEDS TO BE REVISED. AND AGAIN AT A TIME WHEN THEY ARE CLOSING
11 COURTHOUSES, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A NEW POPULATION BEGINNING IN
12 JUNE, WHICH IS A FEW WEEKS AWAY, IS IMPACTING THE OTHER PEOPLE
13 WHO HAVE SERIOUS CRIMES TO BE PROSECUTED. WE EVEN HAVE SOME
14 PUBLIC OFFICIALS THAT ARE WAITING FOR PROSECUTION. RIGHT?

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** YES.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT MAKES NO SENSE.

19

20 **JERRY POWERS:** YOU'RE RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, PLEASE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS WITH REGARD TO THESE
2 NUMBERS. CAN I UNDERSTAND CLEARLY THAT THIS IS JUST THE 109
3 POPULATION EXCLUSIVELY?

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5 **JERRY POWERS:** YES.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO HOW MUCH OR HOW MANY FOLKS DO WE HAVE THAT WE
8 ARE NOW NOT SENDING UP TO THE STATE THAT ARE IN THIS? THEY
9 DON'T GO INTO THIS PROGRAM BUT THEY'RE STAYING HERE. DO YOU
10 KNOW THOSE NUMBERS? THAT'S WHAT WE CALL THE 11-70-H
11 POPULATION. AND THE SHERIFF TALKED ABOUT THIS, THERE'S 5500 OR
12 ABOUT 5500.

13
14 **CECIL RHAMBO:** JUST OVER 5700.

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16 **JERRY POWERS:** JUST OVER 5700 IN LOCAL JAILS. AND ABOUT THAT
17 SAME AMOUNT HAVE GONE THROUGH THE JAILS AS I RECALL AND HAVE
18 BEEN DISCHARGED SINCE THE PROGRAM STARTED.

19
20 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. BUT WHEN YOU HAVE THIS 5700 NUMBER,
21 THEY'RE NOT CROSSOVER NUMBERS, THEY'RE DIFFERENT, THEY'RE NEW
22 OFFENDERS. THEY DON'T GO UNDER ANY PROGRAM OF THIS SORT AT
23 ALL?

24



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1 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL IF THE COURT WERE TO GIVE THEM A SPLIT
2 SENTENCE, THEN, YES, THEY COULD COME OUT UNDER THIS AND BE
3 FUNDED FOR TREATMENT UNDER THIS PROGRAM. BUT IF THE COURT
4 DOESN'T GIVE THEM A SPLIT SENTENCE. FORGIVE ME IF I'M BEING
5 REDUNDANT, THIS IS THE CONCERN I HAVE IS IF THE COURT DOESN'T
6 GIVE THEM A SPLIT SENTENCE, I THINK IT'S A FAIRLY EASY
7 JUDGMENT TO SAY THAT THESE GUYS ARE GOING TO COME OUT WITH NO
8 SUPERVISION, NO OBLIGATION TO ENGAGE IN TREATMENT AND THEY'RE
9 NOT GOING TO. THEY'RE GOING TO HIT THE STREET AND THEY'RE
10 GOING TO RUN FOR THE NEAREST LIQUOR STORE OR WHATEVER THE CASE
11 MAY BE, MANY ARE.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. BUT YOU'RE NOT TRACKING THESE NUMBERS,
14 YES OR NO?

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** WE'RE ONLY TRACKING THE SENTENCES. THE SHERIFF
17 IS TRACKING FOR POPULATION PURPOSES, YES.

18

19 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** AND, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, IN MENTAL HEALTH,
20 WE'RE TRACKING THOSE WHO ARE REFERRED AND GET INTO TREATMENT
21 FROM THAT POPULATION AFTER RELEASE. SO THAT'S THE 544 NUMBER.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHO IS TRACKING THEM AFTER THEY GET RELEASED
24 IF IT ISN'T PROBATION?

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1 **JERRY POWERS:** THERE IS NOTHING TO TRACK IN THAT -- I SHOULDN'T
2 SAY THERE IS NOTHING TO TRACK.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY?

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6 **JERRY POWERS:** THERE IS NO JURISDICTION FOR THE COUNTY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAIT. SO THEY HAVE BEEN SENTENCED. SO YOU GET
9 OUT. AND YOU HAVE NO PROBATION FOLLOW UP?

10

11 **JERRY POWERS:** NO PROBATION.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THOUGHT THAT WAS ONLY FOR THESE FOLKS AFTER
14 THEY FINISHED UP?

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** NO.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THESE ARE FOLKS THAT WE HAVE PUT IN FOR A NON,
19 NON, NON AND THEY SERVED THEIR TIME. AND ON AVERAGE, WHAT IS
20 THE AVERAGE TIME THEY SERVE?

21

22 **MARK DELGADO:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK ON AVERAGE IT'S ABOUT TWO-
23 YEAR SENTENCE THAT THEY'RE RECEIVING.

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25 **JERRY POWERS:** BUT THE SERVE WOULD BE HALF OF THAT.



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2 **MARK DELGADO:** THEY'RE SERVING HALF OF THAT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO THEY SERVE HALF OF THAT NOW. SO
5 THEN THEY GET RELEASED, AND THEY GET RELEASED WITHOUT -- WE'RE
6 PROHIBITED -- PROHIBITED FROM ATTACHING PROBATION, PAROLE
7 RESPONSIBILITIES.

8

9 **JERRY POWERS:** ONLY THE COURT CAN DO THAT AND THEY'VE BEEN
10 RELUCTANT TO DO THAT SO FAR.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY IS THAT?

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14 **JERRY POWERS:** I THINK YOU'D HAVE TO ASK THEM THAT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK WE ALL SHOULD KNOW THAT. BECAUSE WE'RE
17 TALKING ABOUT THIS POPULATION. THESE ARE OUR OWN FOLKS. THAT'S
18 WHY I WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHY WE ARE PROHIBITED. I MEAN THIS IS
19 THE SAME POPULATION EVENTUALLY ALL OF THESE 109 POSITIONS ARE
20 GOING TO BE GONE, RIGHT?

21

22 **JERRY POWERS:** CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHEN THE MONEY WILL GO.

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1 **JERRY POWERS:** CORRECT.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WE'RE PROHIBITED FROM CREATING ANY KIND OF
4 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THESE FELONS TO REPORT TO ANYONE WITHIN LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT?

6

7 **JERRY POWERS:** WE BEING PROBATION, SHERIFF, BOARD. THE ONLY ONE
8 WHO CAN GIVE THEM A SPLIT SENTENCE IS THE JUDGE WHO SENTENCES
9 THEM. AND AS THEY GIVE THEM THAT SPLIT SENTENCE, THAT WILL
10 REDUCE THEIR TIME IN CUSTODY. I THINK, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
11 TOUCHED ON MAYBE ONE OF THE REASONS THAT THERE'S A RELUCTANCE
12 TO GIVE SPLIT SENTENCES AND THAT'S, FRANKLY, THE COURT'S
13 CASELOAD. AS THEY CLOSE COURTHOUSES AND THEY CONSOLIDATE --

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE SENTENCE IS ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. THAT
16 COULD BE A PROBLEM.

17

18 **JERRY POWERS:** EXCEPT IF YOU'RE UNDER SUPERVISION, THERE'S
19 REVOCATIONS THAT CAN OCCUR, THERE'S OTHER COURT ACTION THAT
20 CAN OCCUR BEHIND THAT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THEN THE STATE'S NOT TOTALLY AT FAULT ON THIS.
23 I THINK WE HAVE OUR OWN PROBLEMS HERE WITH PEOPLE WHO JUST
24 AREN'T WILLING TO TAKE ON THE RESPONSIBILITY.

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1 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL, LEGISLATIVELY, WE HAVE HAD SOME
2 DISCUSSIONS ABOUT COMING UP WITH WHAT WE CALL A MANDATORY TAIL
3 OR MAKING THE COURTS OR MAKING THE SENTENCE REFLECT A
4 MANDATORY PERIOD OF SUPERVISION. BECAUSE HAVING IT
5 DISCRETIONARY IT IS NOT HAPPENING AT THE RATE THAT I THINK IT
6 SHOULD.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** HAVE WE INTRODUCED SUCH LEGISLATION?

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** THERE IS LEGISLATION OUT THERE. I CAN'T GIVE YOU
11 THE BILL NUMBER.

12

13 **MARK DELGADO:** S.B.706.

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15 **JERRY POWERS:** 706.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHERE IS THAT AS FAR AS STATUS? ARE WE
18 SUPPORTING IT?

19

20 **JERRY POWERS:** I DON'T KNOW.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT WOULD SEEM TO ME WE WOULD NEED TO BE DOING
23 SOMETHING IN THAT REGARD.

24



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1 **MARK DELGADO:** WAYNE BILLOITTE WHO IS OUR LEGISLATIVE ADVISER
2 IN SACRAMENTO, WE ACTUALLY DRAFTED THE LEGISLATION.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S COUNTY-SPONSORED LEGISLATION.

5

6 **MARK DELGADO:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WE ARE SUPPORTING IT. ALL RIGHT. SO WE ARE NOT
9 TRACKING ANY OF THE NEW NUMBERS AT ALL?

10

11 **JERRY POWERS:** YOU MEAN FROM THAT POPULATION WE ARE JUST
12 TALKING ABOUT? NO.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE NUMBERS ARE GOING TO DISAPPEAR SOON.

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** PROBABLY 18 MONTHS FROM NOW. IT WILL NOT
17 DISAPPEAR COMPLETELY BUT IT WILL DROP SIGNIFICANTLY.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, IT'S DROPPED SIGNIFICANTLY NOW IF YOU'RE
20 GETTING 500 NOW.

21

22 **JERRY POWERS:** WE ARE GETTING 500 AND WE'RE LOSING 500. SO IT'S
23 KIND OF PLATEAUED, BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, IT WILL DO THAT BELL
24 CURVE THAT I WAS TALKING ABOUT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, IT'S MORE THAN A BELL, IT'S JUST GOING TO
2 TOTALLY DECLINE. AND AT THAT POINT IN TIME THEN NONE OF THESE
3 SERVICES ARE GOING TO BE NECESSARY.

4

5 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL, I WOULDN'T DISAGREE WITH YOU BUT I WOULD
6 SAY THERE'S TWO ISSUES THAT I THINK WILL CONTINUE TO ARGUE FOR
7 THE SERVICES. NUMBER 1 IS WE'RE GOING TO SEE THE FELONY
8 PROBATION NUMBERS ARE GOING TO INCREASE BECAUSE JUDGES LOOK AT
9 THE SENTENCING OPPORTUNITY. I CAN GIVE THIS INDIVIDUAL --

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU JUST SAID THAT THEY DON'T.

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** I'LL WALK YOU THROUGH THIS. THIS IS WHAT I'VE
14 HEARD FROM SOME INDIVIDUALS. THE JUDGES WILL SAY "I CAN GIVE
15 THIS INDIVIDUAL A LOCAL PRISON SENTENCE THAT MIGHT RESULT IN A
16 YEAR'S WORTH OF CUSTODY IN COUNTY JAIL AND NO SUPERVISION TERM
17 AT THE END OF IT, EXCUSE ME. OR I CAN GIVE THEM A FELONY
18 PROBATION SENTENCE THAT INCLUDES MAYBE SIX MONTHS OR EIGHT
19 MONTHS OF CUSTODY AND A THREE-YEAR FELONY PROBATION TERM. SO
20 WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE IS THOSE -- AND THAT IS MORE
21 ATTRACTIVE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT'S NOT CALLED SPLIT?

24



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1 **JERRY POWERS:** NO. THAT'S JUST A REGULAR PRE-109. THAT'S A
2 REGULAR FELONY PROBATION SENTENCE. AND SO WHAT I'VE HEARD SOME
3 SAY IS THAT'S A MORE ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVE FOR THE COURT. IT
4 KIND OF IS BASS-ACKWARDS.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET'S GO BACK. WE'RE IN CHARGE OF PROSECUTIONS,
7 IN A SENSE, AS WELL. SO WE MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. IS THE D.A.
8 MAKING THOSE KIND OF RECOMMENDATIONS?

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** I'VE TALKED TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY ABOUT THIS.
11 AND WE'VE HAD SOME GOOD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE REASONING, THE
12 LOGIC BEHIND SPLIT SENTENCES.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** ARE THEY MAKING THEM?

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** I CAN'T SAY THAT THEY ARE.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL HERE IS WHERE THE STRATEGY COMES IN AGAIN,
19 FOLKS. I WANT TO UNDERSTAND WE'RE ALL WORKING TOGETHER.
20 THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PART OF THIS TEAM, AS WELL. I DON'T SEE
21 THEM HERE, BUT THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE PART OF THIS TEAM.
22 BECAUSE THE ISSUE IS AT A CERTAIN POINT IN TIME, WHILE WE MAY
23 COMPLAIN HOW MUCH WE HATE THIS PROGRAM, EVENTUALLY IT ENDS.
24 AND WHAT STAYS ARE THESE FOLKS. AND SO THE WORST PART ABOUT IT
25 IF THAT LEGISLATION DOESN'T PASS, THEN THEY STAY WITH NO TAIL



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1 WHATSOEVER. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM. AND OF COURSE
2 WE THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS THAT THERE BE PROBATION AND
3 PAROLE RESPONSIBILITIES ATTACHED TO THEM. SO THAT'S WHY I'M
4 TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. AND I THINK THE D.A. HAS TO REPORT AT
5 THE NEXT TIME WHAT LEVEL OF RECOMMENDATIONS THEY'RE MAKING
6 WHEN IT'S DISCRETIONARY. WE GO TO THE STATE AND COMPLAIN AND
7 THEY'RE GOING TO TURN AROUND SAYING "IT'S IN YOUR BALL COURT."
8 YOU SHOULD BE MAKING THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JUDGES.
9 SHOULD THE JUDGES DETERMINE THAT BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE
10 ENOUGH TIME TO DO IT, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO DO IT. BUT THE D.A.
11 DOES MAKE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, AM I INCORRECT ABOUT THAT?

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** AND PROBATION MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS AS WELL.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND YOU DO. BUT RIGHT NOW YOU SORT OF
16 PUSHED IT ON THE D.A. SO I'M TAKING ADVANTAGE THAT THEY'RE NOT
17 HERE.

18

19 **JERRY POWERS:** I DIDN'T PUSH IT ON THE D.A.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH. WELL THEN, ARE YOU MAKING THOSE
22 RECOMMENDATIONS, SINCE YOU SAID YOU DO?

23

24 **JERRY POWERS:** WE FULLY SUPPORT SPLIT SENTENCES, SUPERVISOR.
25 THE JUDGE IS THE ULTIMATE DECIDER.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHAT HAPPENS? THE JUDGE IS NOT ACCEPTING YOUR
3 RECOMMENDATIONS?

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5 **JERRY POWERS:** IN MANY INSTANCES, ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF THE TIME
6 DO WE GET A SPLIT SENTENCE IN L.A. COUNTY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL THEN THAT SPEAKS TO ISSUES THAT WE NEED TO
9 RAISE, OKAY? BECAUSE THESE ARE IN OUR CONTROL. WE NEED TO KNOW
10 WHY THE JUDGES ARE DOING THAT BECAUSE YOU CAN'T TURN AROUND
11 AND POINT TO THE STATE AND BE BLAMING THE STATE WHEN IT'S
12 LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT'S MAKING THESE DETERMINATIONS. I CAN
13 NEVER MAKE A DECISION -- OR I CAN'T EVER MAKE A DETERMINATION
14 AS TO WHAT A JUDGE WILL DECIDE BUT I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE
15 FUNNELING THE RIGHT INFORMATION INTO THEM EITHER THROUGH A SET
16 OF RECOMMENDATIONS, THROUGH A SET OF D.A. RECOMMENDATIONS.
17 NOW, IF THE JUDGE FOR WHATEVER REASON HE DOESN'T WANT TO DO IT
18 BECAUSE HECK, I DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS GUY AGAIN, WELL THEN
19 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, THEN HE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR LETTING THESE
20 CROOKS ON THE LOOSE.

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22 **JERRY POWERS:** I WILL TELL YOU IN SOME COUNTIES 85 PERCENT OF
23 THE SENTENCES ARE SPLIT SENTENCES. SO WE'RE AN OUTLIER.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE NEED TO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING AND IT SHOULD BE
2 THE C.C.J.C.C. SHOULD START LOOKING AT THIS BECAUSE THIS IS A
3 TRENDING ISSUE THAT AGAIN, I WANT TO UNDERSTAND. EVENTUALLY
4 109 NON, NON, NON'S ARE GOING TO DISAPPEAR. THEY ARE GOING TO
5 BELONG EXCLUSIVELY TO US WITH NO MONEY ATTACHED TO THEM,
6 CORRECT?

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8 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL THE FUNDING WILL STILL BE THERE. BUT THAT
9 PRISON POPULATION THAT'S COMING OUT WILL DROP DRAMATICALLY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF IT'S DROPPED IN A YEAR AND A HALF TO 500, IT'S
12 A BIG DROP, BUT THAT MONEY WILL DROP, AS WELL. AND SO I THINK
13 WE NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR THAT BECAUSE YOU HAVE A LOT OF
14 PEOPLE ONLINE THAT YOU'RE HIRING, PREPARING FOR, SPACE THAT
15 YOU'RE LOOKING FOR FOR A DECLINING POPULATION. NOW, UNLESS --
16 AND I'M NOT SAYING THEY SHOULD BE. UNLESS THE JUDGES ARE GOING
17 TO GET UP TO SPEED ON THIS THING, THESE FOLKS ARE GOING TO BE
18 SERVING TIME AND THEN GOING OUT WITH NOTHING, NO MENTAL HEALTH
19 SERVICES, NOTHING ELSE. NOW, I MEAN, WE CAN ALWAYS MAKE THOSE
20 AVAILABLE. BUT I THINK IT'S THE MANDATORY CHECK THAT WE NEED
21 TO LOOK AT. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO TREND THOSE KINDS OF
22 NUMBERS BECAUSE IT'S NOT CLEAR TO ME. IF YOU WERE TO SAY WHAT
23 YOUR CASELOAD IS TODAY, WHAT IS YOUR CASELOAD TODAY?

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25 **JERRY POWERS:** TOTAL NUMBERS?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** TOTAL.

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4 **JERRY POWERS:** 10,300.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT IT WAS UNDER HERE. SO RIGHT
7 NOW UNDER YOUR -- I WOULD SAY AT THIS POINT YOU'RE AT THE
8 HEIGHT OF YOUR CASELOAD.

9

10 **JERRY POWERS:** YES, YES, VERY MUCH SO.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. AND YOU'RE HANDLING THAT WITH
13 DEFICIENCY AS THE NUMBER OF PROBATION OFFICERS THAT YOU HAVE.
14 WHEN YOU GET UP TO SPEED IN AUGUST, SUPPOSEDLY, WHEN YOU'RE
15 GOING TO GET HIRED UP, AND I DON'T KNOW HOW THESE NUMBERS ARE
16 GOING TO TREND, BUT THEY'RE GOING TO TREND DOWNWARD.

17

18 **JERRY POWERS:** THEY WILL. AUGUST.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HOPE YOU'RE PLANNING FOR THAT.

21

22 **JERRY POWERS:** AUGUST, YES.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A TOUGH TIME
25 JUSTIFYING TO ME THOSE NUMBERS.



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2 **JERRY POWERS:** SUPERVISOR, YOU HAVE A VERY GOOD UNDERSTANDING
3 OF THE DILEMMA WE'RE FACING.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S THE DILEMMA THAT YOU ARE FACING THAT HAS TO
6 BE EXPLAINED TO US. SO WHAT I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU IS I DON'T
7 WANT TO HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE FOR NUMBERS YOU DON'T HAVE
8 CONTROL OF. I WOULD RATHER THAT WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING
9 OF WHERE WE'RE GOING SO IT ISN'T THE ISSUE OF HIRE ME UP TO
10 THIS LEVEL AND THEN I TAKE A DIVE. WHAT DO I DO WITH ALL THOSE
11 PEOPLE?

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** RIGHT. IT'S A GREAT QUESTION AND IT'S A DILEMMA
14 THAT WE'VE GOT. AND THAT'S WHY -- WE'VE REPORTED EVERY MONTH
15 TO YOU THIS ISSUE, THIS 1170, THIS LOCAL ISSUE AND THE LACK OF
16 SPLIT SENTENCES. THE OTHER PART OF THE DYNAMIC, AS I SAID
17 EARLIER, IS THE FELONY PROBATION POPULATION IS INCREASING. SO
18 WE'RE STILL GOING TO HAVE A NEED FOR THE SERVICES. THOSE
19 SERVICES NEVER -- LET'S BE HONEST. PRIOR TO A.B.109 THERE WERE
20 VERY LITTLE RESOURCES FOR FELONY PROBATIONS AT ANY COUNTY IN
21 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. WE HAD HUNDREDS PER DEPUTY. WE HAD NO
22 SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW THAT. THAT'S WHY I'M TRYING TO SHARE THE
2 OTHER PART OF WHAT'S GOING ON HERE. THAT'S WHY WE DON'T WANT
3 TO GO BACK INTO THAT DARK --

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5 **JERRY POWERS:** I AGREE.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WHAT I'M SAYING IS WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THE
8 TRENDING IS THE ISSUE THAT WE CAN UNDERSTAND. IF WE WANT THESE
9 FOLKS TO HAVE A FIGHTING CHANCE OUT THERE, THEY'RE GOING TO
10 HAVE TO GET SURROUNDED BY SERVICES AT SOME LEVEL. NOW,
11 GRANTED, YOU HAVE A WHOLE BUNCH OF FOLKS THAT ARE NOT TAKING
12 ADVANTAGE OF THESE SERVICES AND SO ON. BUT THAT'S WHAT I WANT
13 TO GET TO NOW -- BUT I DO THINK THAT'S THE TRENDING THAT NEEDS
14 TO BE LOOKED AT. AND THAT IS THE WHOLE ISSUE OF YOU NEED TO DO
15 SOME PLANNING OR WHATEVER IS GOING ON AS TO WHAT THE
16 DIFFERENCE IS WITH OUR JUDGES HERE, YOU NEED TO PUT THAT INTO
17 OUR COURT. SO THIS IS WHERE NO MATTER HOW MUCH WE GOT CRIED AT
18 THE LEGISLATURE, THEY ARE GOING TO SAY YOU GOT A PROBLEM WITH
19 YOUR JUDGES, RIGHT?

20

21 **JERRY POWERS:** I AGREE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** OR YOU GOT YOUR PROBLEM WITH YOUR D.A. SOMEBODY
24 ALONG THE WAY IS GOING TO PIN IT BACK ON US. AND THAT'S WHY WE
25 NEED TO TREND THAT NUMBER.



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2 **JERRY POWERS:** WE WILL DO THAT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THIS ISSUE OF THE DEFINITION OF
5 RECIDIVISM. WHY DON'T WE ACCEPT WHAT THE STATE IS WHY ARE WE
6 DEBATING IT?

7

8 **JERRY POWERS:** WELL WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT IT'S A
9 DIFFERENT WORLD THAN WHAT IT WAS WHEN C.D.C.R. DID THEIR
10 DEFINITION. IN OTHER WORDS, C.D.C.R. DID NOT HAVE THE ABILITY
11 TO FLASH INCARCERATE PAROLEES. IT WAS JUST A REVOCATION. THE
12 FACT THAT YOU CAN FLASH INCARCERATE THIS SAME POPULATION MEANS
13 -- AND FLASH INCARCERATION AS DR. SOUTHARD POINTS OUT IS
14 PARTIALLY USED TO MOTIVATE PEOPLE TO ENGAGE IN TREATMENT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME. WHY IS THAT NOT CONSIDERED RECIDIVISM?

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18 **JERRY POWERS:** I GUESS MY ANSWER IS IT CAN BE. OR IT COULD BE
19 ARGUED --

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT IS. WHY ISN'T IT?

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23 **JERRY POWERS:** IT CAN BE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT MEANS YOU GO BACK TO JAIL BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T
2 FOLLOW THE RULES.

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4 **JERRY POWERS:** I GUESS WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THAT WASN'T THE
5 TOTAL INTENTION OF FLASH INCARCERATION.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE DON'T CARE. DO WE CARE?

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9 **JERRY POWERS:** THAT'S PART OF THE DISCUSSION THAT WE'RE HAVING.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE QUICKER YOU GET TO A CONCLUSION OF THAT
12 DEFINITION, THE QUICKER THAT WE CAN GET GOING ON IT.
13 STRAIGHTFORWARD FACT. I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG YOUR DISCUSSION
14 WILL BE GOING ON. IT COULD GO ON FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS.

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16 **JERRY POWERS:** I DON'T THINK THAT ANY OF THE DISCUSSION
17 PARTICIPANTS ARE INTERESTED IN HAVING THAT DISCUSSION FOR
18 THREE YEARS, ALTHOUGH --

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHEN DO YOU THINK YOU'LL HAVE A CONCLUSION OF
21 YOUR DISCUSSION?

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23 **JERRY POWERS:** I KNEW YOU WERE GOING TO ASK ME THAT.

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25 **SUP. MOLINA:** OF COURSE.



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2 **JERRY POWERS:** WE WILL BRING -- IT'S THE BOARD'S DESIRE TO
3 BRING BACK A DEFINITION TO BE ADOPTED BY? I GUESS I'M
4 PROCEDURALLY TRYING TO --

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T SEE THIS AS A PROBLEM. YOU POINTED IT OUT
7 AS A PROBLEM. YOU PUT IT IN HERE. MY ISSUE IS IF SOMEBODY
8 DOESN'T FOLLOW THE RULES AND THEY GET PUT BACK IN JAIL OR
9 WHATEVER, OR THEY GET VIOLATED AT A LEVEL, OBVIOUSLY IT'S VERY
10 CLEAR WHAT THE CONCLUSION IS. I DON'T SEE THE DIFFERENCE. I
11 DON'T KNOW WHO'S DEBATING THE OTHER ISSUE. WELL, WE JUST HAD
12 TO PAT THEM ON THE BACK AND REMIND THEM THAT, YOU KNOW, HE'S
13 GOT TO PAY ATTENTION.

14

15 **JERRY POWERS:** NOT TO BELABOR THE POINT, BUT IF IT'S OUR DESIRE
16 TO COMPARE OUR RATES TO C.D.C.R.'S HISTORIC RATES, BECAUSE OF
17 THE FLASH ABILITY HERE, I DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO LET YOU
18 COMPARE APPLES TO APPLES.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY?

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22 **JERRY POWERS:** BECAUSE C.D.C.R. COULD NOT GO PUT SOMEONE IN
23 WITH A FLASH TERM. IN C.D.C.R. IF YOU VIOLATED PAROLE, YOU
24 WERE GIVEN AN ATTORNEY AND YOU HAD AN ENTIRE DUE PROCESS.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AT THE END OF CONCLUSION WHAT IS WRONG WITH IT?

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3 **JERRY POWERS:** I'M NOT SAYING ANYTHING IS WRONG WITH IT.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, AND I
6 DON'T WANT TO ARGUE BECAUSE I'M NOT AN EXPERT IN THIS AREA,
7 IT'S PLAYING GAMES ON WORDS, THE ISSUE IS THEY HAVEN'T
8 FOLLOWED THE RULES.

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10 **JERRY POWERS:** CORRECT. CORRECT.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY'RE NOT OUT CLEAN YET, OKAY?

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14 **JERRY POWERS:** CORRECT.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHETHER IT'S FLASH INCARCERATION, BACK INTO
17 JAIL, ANOTHER VIOLATION -- I JUST THINK IT'S OVER FOR THEM.
18 ANYWAY, SO I DON'T WANT TO BELABOR IT, BUT HOPEFULLY YOU ALL -
19 - IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO ASK YOU IN ANOTHER SIX MONTHS IF
20 YOU'VE COME UP WITH A CONCLUSION.

21

22 **JERRY POWERS:** IT WON'T TAKE US SIX.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, GOOD. I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT. THE ISSUE ON
25 NOW THE OTHER ISSUES WITH THE SHERIFF'S. I'M REALLY CONCERNED



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1 ABOUT YOUR ABSCONDER NUMBERS. YOU'RE NOT GETTING MANY OF THESE
2 FOLKS, ARE YOU?

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4 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WELL, WE ARE GETTING AS MANY AS WE CAN. I KNOW
5 WE HAVE 600 WARRANTS OUT THERE.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW MANY ARE OUT THERE RIGHT NOW THAT ARE
8 ABSCONDERS?

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10 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WELL WITH CHIEF POWERS' NUMBERS IT LOOKS LIKE WE
11 GOT ACTIVE WARRANTS OUT THERE THAT RIVAL 2,000 OR SO.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW MANY?

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15 **CECIL RHAMBO:** 2,000 OR SO. WARRANTS.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO HOW MANY HAVE YOU GOTTEN?

18

19 **JERRY POWERS:** TO BE FAIR, THERE'S ONLY ABOUT 1400 THAT WOULD
20 BE TECHNICALLY BE AVAILABLE BECAUSE THE OTHER 700 HAVE BEEN
21 DEPORTED.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I WAS NOTICING THAT. AND THE DEPORTATIONS,
24 IT SAYS THAT THERE ARE 786 DEPORTATIONS. SO THAT ISN'T
25 CONSIDERED AN ABSCONDER. HE'S GONE. HE COMES OFF THE LIST.



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2 **JERRY POWERS:** NO, HE DOESN'T.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO CHECK. BECAUSE I THINK YOU
5 NEED TO CLARIFY THAT LIST, AS WELL. WHEN SOMEONE HAS BEEN
6 TAKEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY AS FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED, THERE
7 SHOULDN'T BE AN OPEN CASE. NOW, WHEN YOU SAY THESE WARRANTS
8 ARE REISSUED? I THINK THEY SHOULD BE TREATED UNDER A DIFFERENT
9 CATEGORY BECAUSE IT MAKES US FEEL -- AND THAT'S WHY I WANT TO
10 CLARIFY THAT NUMBER -- THAT THESE ABSCONDERS ARE A WHOLE GROUP
11 OF PEOPLE THAT ARE OUT THERE WHEN IN FACT OVER 786 OF THEM
12 HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. AND BASICALLY THEY
13 HAVE BEEN DEPORTED TO THEIR OWN COUNTRY, CORRECT? SO THEY
14 SHOULD BE TAKEN OUT OF THAT NUMBER.

15

16 **JERRY POWERS:** AND THAT'S WHY IN THAT GRAPH WE DID MAKE THE
17 DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE TOTAL NUMBER, THE NUMBER UNDER
18 SUPERVISION WHO HAVE ABSCONDED AND THEN THE NUMBER OF
19 DEPORTEES WHO HAVE WARRANTS IN THE SYSTEM.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IF YOU NOTICED WHEN I ASKED THE QUESTION THAT
22 NUMBER IS INCLUSIVE OF IT. I THINK IT SHOULD NOT.

23

24 **JERRY POWERS:** THAT'S WHY I CLARIFIED IT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE. AN
2 ABSCONDER TO ME IS SOMEONE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR. YOU'RE NOT
3 LOOKING FOR THE GUY THAT IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY, RIGHT, THAT
4 HAS OFFICIALLY BEEN DEPORTED. YOU ARE NOT LOOKING FOR HIM. SO
5 UNLESS ABSCONDER IS HAVING A DEBATE ON WHAT THE WORD MEANS, TO
6 ME IT MEANS SOMEONE WE'RE LOOKING FOR. SO IF I WERE TO ASK YOU
7 NOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

8

9 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WE'D HAVE TO BACK OUT THAT NUMBER OF DEPORTEES
10 THAT YOU HAVE IN THERE. SO WE HAVE 786 YOU BACK THAT NUMBER
11 OUT. SO NON-DEPORTATION WARRANTS IS 1379.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** 1379. OKAY, NOW, ONE OF THE PROBLEMS IS THAT I
14 THINK THIS IS THE MOST SERIOUS OF ALL ISSUES. THESE ARE THE
15 FOLKS THAT AFTER BEING OFFERED AN ARRAY OF SERVICES,
16 EVERYTHING FROM HOUSING TO EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO MENTAL
17 HEALTH ISSUES TO HEALTHCARE SERVICES, THEY DECIDED NOT TO COME
18 IN AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM, RIGHT?

19

20 **CECIL RHAMBO:** CORRECT.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT MEANS THEY'RE NOT EVEN REPORTING AT ALL
23 TO THEIR PAROLE OFFICER, OR ANYTHING OF WHERE THEY LIVE, WHERE
24 THEY'RE AT OR ANYTHING ELSE. SO POTENTIALLY THESE COULD BE
25 VERY TROUBLESOME PEOPLE. 1,300 OUT THERE, RIGHT?



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2 **CECIL RHAMBO:** YES.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. WHAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT IS THAT DOESN'T
5 SEEM LIKE THE SHERIFF IS SPENDING ENOUGH TIME LOOKING FOR
6 THESE FOLKS. WHEN I LOOKED AT YOUR ACTIVITIES, IT SEEMS LIKE
7 YOU'RE SPENDING A WHOLE LOT OF TIME IN LOOKING FOR FIRS AND
8 COMPLIANCE CHECKS.

9

10 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WELL, PART OF OUR OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY IS
11 ASSISTING PAROLE -- OR PROBATION WITH MAKING SURE THE FOLKS
12 ARE COMPLYING.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT COMPLIANCE COULD BE REALLY
15 HANDLED BY PROBATION INITIALLY. I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY TURN IT
16 OVER TO YOU AS COMPLIANCE. BUT IT SEEMS TO ME AN ABSCONDER IS
17 SOMEONE YOU SHOULD BE LOOKING FOR. YOU'RE THE GUY WITH A GUN.
18 YOU'RE THE GUY WITH AUTHORITY AND THE POWER. ISN'T THERE ANY
19 WAY THAT WE COULD REVERSE THAT? BECAUSE IF I'M GOING TO PUT MY
20 MONEY IN THESE ISSUES AND THESE ACTIVITIES, I'D RATHER THE
21 SHERIFF BE OUT LOOKING FOR THESE ABSCONDERS. AND I REALLY
22 THINK THAT THAT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE TO US INSTEAD OF "WELL WE
23 GOT OTHER THINGS TO DO." AND I'M TROUBLED BY THAT NUMBER.

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1 **CECIL RHAMBO:** OKAY. WHAT WE CAN DO IS AS OF TODAY, WE'LL
2 DIRECT MORE TIME TOWARDS THAT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN IT BE 100 PERCENT OF YOUR TIME?

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6 **CECIL RHAMBO:** IF THAT'S WHAT THE BOARD DESIRES, YES, MA'AM.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU SEE, UNDERSTAND, WE'RE NOT THE
9 PROFESSIONALS HERE, YOU ALL ARE. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT
10 FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN FINDING THE
11 1,379 PEOPLE THAT THE REASON THEY DIDN'T COME AND TAKE
12 ADVANTAGE OF IT, BESIDES THE FACT THAT THEY PROBABLY DIDN'T
13 THINK IT WAS WORTHWHILE, IS THAT MORE THAN LIKELY THEY HAVE
14 RETURNED TO WHATEVER THEY WERE DOING BEFORE THEY WENT INTO
15 PRISON. AND THAT'S WHAT WORRIES US, RIGHT?

16

17 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WE UNDERSTAND THAT. THE REASONS THAT THEY DON'T
18 REPORT ARE VARIED. MANY OF THEM DON'T EVEN COME BACK TO L.A.
19 COUNTY. THERE'S A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT THAT GOES INTO
20 SEARCHING FOR ABSCONDERS. AS YOU GUYS REALIZE, THERE ARE
21 INSTANCES WHERE N3S HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES THAT HAVE BEEN
22 NEWSWORTHY LATELY. PART OF OUR COMPLIANCE CHECK IS TO HELP
23 INSURE THAT PARTICULAR PART OF PROBLEMATIC PART OF THESE FOLKS
24 OUT THERE AT LEAST HAS SOME -- WE CAN PAY SOME ATTENTION TO
25 THAT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE ISSUE IS THAT IF THEY'RE NOT REPORTING TO
3 THEIR PROBATION OFFICER, THEY'RE NOT REPORTING TO MENTAL
4 HEALTH. IF THEY'RE NOT REPORTING TO THEIR SOCIAL SERVICES,
5 OKAY, THAT'S CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD. IT'S WHEN THEY ARE CLEARLY
6 DETERMINED. YOU HAVE ABSCONDERS WHO HAVE BEEN ABSCONDED FOR
7 OVER 90 DAYS. 659. I HOPE THEY ALL LEFT THE COUNTY. BUT I
8 WOULD RATHER GET A CONFIRMATION THAT 60 OF THEM LEFT THE
9 COUNTY AND THAT WE'RE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR THE OTHER 500 OR
10 SOMETHING. AND THAT'S WHAT I DON'T SEE IN THIS REPORT AND I'M
11 TROUBLED BY THAT. BECAUSE THE KIND OF RESOURCES THAT ARE GOING
12 INTO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS I'D RATHER GO AFTER THOSE
13 FOLKS AS MORE THAN LIKELY, EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE FOUND THAT THE
14 PEOPLE WHO HAVE COMMITTED SOME PRETTY BAD CRIMES SINCE THEN
15 WERE REFERRED TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, WERE REFERRED TO
16 THESE OTHER ACTIVITIES. BUT I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THESE
17 ABSCONDERS, PARTICULARLY THE ONES THAT ARE OVER 90 DAYS.

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19 **CECIL RHAMBO:** WHAT I DON'T WANT TO DO IS GIVE THE BOARD THE
20 IMPRESSION THAT THE 50 DEPUTIES I HAVE DON'T PAY SOME
21 SIGNIFICANT ATTENTION TO FINDING THE ABSCONDERS. WE USE A
22 NUMBER OF OTHER RESOURCES WORKING WITH ALL THE OTHER AGENCIES
23 WITHIN L.A. COUNTY. BECAUSE THERE ARE ONLY 50 PEOPLE FOR THE
24 4,000 SQUARE MILES, WE HAVE TO WORK WITH ALL THE OTHER
25 AGENCIES. AND WE DO. IN ORDER TO HELP FIND. SO IT IS A FULL-



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1 TIME JOB. BUT WHAT WE WILL DO IS DEVOTE MORE SPECIFIC TIME TO
2 THAT JUST LOOK LOOKING FOR THE ABSCONDERS.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT I THINK YOU HAVE TO HAVE A
5 PRODUCTIVITY SCHEDULE OF WHEN THAT IS. WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR
6 ABSCONDER UNIT ONLY WORKS 9 TO 5 AND MAYBE DOESN'T HAVE A
7 SHIFT, YOU KNOW, IT'S HARD TO FIND THEM. IT'S NOT LIKE THESE
8 FOLKS ARE, YOU KNOW, I REALLY THINK YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT
9 PRODUCTIVITY IN THIS UNIT BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF
10 QUESTIONS I'M GOING TO BE ASKING BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE AN
11 AWFUL LOT OF MONEY. AND I HAVEN'T LOOKED AT ALL ASPECTS MUCH
12 IT, BUT IT'S TOO MANY PEOPLE OUT THERE THAT ARE GONE. AND IT
13 WOULD BE WONDERFUL IF THEY ALL JUST LEFT THE COUNTY. BUT
14 CONFIRMATION OF THAT WE DON'T HAVE. SO RIGHT NOW OUR
15 ASSUMPTION IS THAT 1,379 ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT EVEN HAVING
16 THE ABILITY TO REPORT TO THEIR PAROLE OFFICER. THIS IS BEFORE
17 WE'VE GONE THROUGH SPLIT SENTENCE ON THE NEW GUYS, OKAY? SO I
18 THINK WE NEED TO HAVE AN ISSUE ABOUT -- AND I'M GOING TO ASK
19 THE QUESTION AGAIN. AND I THINK IT'S REALLY TROUBLESOME IF
20 YOUR FOLKS ARE 9 TO 5 GUYS AND I JUST DON'T THINK THAT'S HOW
21 WE'RE GOING TO FIND THEM. I THINK YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT HOW
22 YOU'RE GOING TO GET AT THE PRODUCTIVITY LEVELS OF THAT. SO
23 THAT IS A CONCERN.

24

25 **CECIL RHAMBO:** OKAY.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I THINK THAT AGAIN IN THE ISSUES OF WHAT

3 C.C.J.C.C. IS DOING, THEY NEED TO LOOK AT THESE NUMBERS AS I'M

4 LOOKING AT THEM AND LOOK AT THE TRENDING OF WHAT'S GOING TO

5 HAPPEN. WE HAVE ISSUES OF THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A DECLINE IN

6 THIS 109 POPULATION SO EVENTUALLY WE ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE THE

7 RESOURCES THAT ARE GOING TO MATCH THOSE FOLKS. SO THAT'S GOING

8 TO BE A SIGNIFICANT ISSUE. BUT WE HAVE ISSUES NOW THAT PEOPLE

9 WHO NORMALLY WE'RE SENDING AWAY TO STATE PRISON ARE NOW GOING

10 INTO OUR COUNTY JAILS WITH NO TAIL, WHICH IS A PROBLEM. AND

11 THEN FINALLY AS WE LOOK AT THAT, EVEN WHEN WE HAVE

12 JURISDICTION, WE HAVE ABSCONDERS. SO IT'S LIKE FULL CIRCLE. IT

13 DOESN'T MATTER. AND SO WE CAN GO AFTER THEM AND ASK FOR SPLIT

14 SENTENCES, BUT IF WE DON'T LOOK FOR THEM OR GO FIND THEM, THEN

15 IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING, DOES IT? SO IT NEEDS TO BE -- AND

16 THIS IS BETTER THAN IT'S EVER BEEN BEFORE I MUST TELL YOU, SO

17 I THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT AND I CONGRATULATE YOU FOR THE WORK

18 THAT'S BEING DONE. BUT IT SPEAKS VOLUMES OF WHAT WE NEED TO

19 KNOW AND HEAR ABOUT THIS POPULATION. AND IT REALLY REQUIRES

20 KIND OF AN OVERALL STRATEGY BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, AND

21 WHAT THE STATE'S GOING TO SAY TO US WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT,

22 "HEY, THEY'RE YOUR FOLKS, MAN. THEY CAME INTO OUR STATE PRISON

23 FROM YOUR COUNTIES. THEY'RE GOING BACK TO YOUR COUNTY. AND SO

24 NOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE IN CHARGE MUCH THEM." SO NOW THAT WE'RE

25 IN CHARGE OF THEM, WHETHER WE LIKE IT OR NOT, WE'RE GOING TO



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1 HAVE TO CREATE OUR OWN PROGRAM THAT WE DECIDE WHAT THE RULES
2 ARE FOR THE MOST PART. SO IT'S UP TO US TO START TRACKING IT
3 AND HAVING SOME TRENDING SO WE UNDERSTAND. BECAUSE IT DOESN'T
4 DO A BIT OF GOOD TO SAY WE WANT A TAIL OF THEM WHEN THEY DON'T
5 EVEN SHOW UP AND WE DON'T GO LOOKING FOR THEM SO THAT'S
6 DANGEROUS.

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE
9 TEAM. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. WE DO HAVE SEVERAL
10 PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC HEARING.
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TWO SHORT QUESTIONS. WHEN THOSE ARE SENT BACK
14 TO THE COUNTY TO BE DEPORTED, WHY COULDN'T THEY BE DEPORTED BY
15 THE STATE?

16

17 **JERRY POWERS:** THEY ARE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DO THEY COME DOWN HERE, THEN?

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21 **JERRY POWERS:** THEY DON'T.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S JUST THE PAPER.

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1 **JERRY POWERS:** THEY'RE TURNED OVER TO IMMIGRATION FROM THE
2 FACILITY.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE STATE PAYS FOR THE COSTS THAT THOSE
5 INDIVIDUALS THEY ARE RELEASING TO THE COUNTIES, THEY'RE
6 SUPPOSED TO PAY FOR THOSE COSTS, BUT APPROXIMATELY 50 PERCENT
7 OF THOSE WHO ARE SENT BACK TO THE COUNTY COMMIT NEW CRIMES. SO
8 YOU HAVE APPROXIMATELY LIKE 10,000, 11,000 WHO ARE SENT BACK
9 HERE, ABOUT 50 PERCENT ARE COMMITTING NEW CRIMES. WHO PAYS FOR
10 THEIR BOARD AND ROOM IN OUR COUNTY JAIL AND THE DISTRICT
11 ATTORNEY WHO PROSECUTES THEM AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WHO
12 DEFENDS THEM? IS THAT ALSO REIMBURSED BY THE STATE OR DOES THE
13 COUNTY GENERAL FUND HAVE TO PAY FOR THEM?

14

15 **JERRY POWERS:** NO, THE FORMULA AS I UNDERSTOOD IT ONLY DEALT
16 WITH STATE COSTS, THE COSTS OF A C.D.C.R. PRISON BED, MARGINAL
17 COSTS OF SUPERVISION, PAROLE SUPERVISION AND THOSE KINDS OF
18 INCIDENTALS. THERE WASN'T A FACTOR PER SE OTHER THAN PAROLE
19 REVOCATION, PAROLE BEDS THAT THE SHERIFF GOT. THERE WAS A
20 FACTOR THERE. BUT THERE WAS NOTHING RELATED TO LOCAL COSTS OF
21 CONTINUED CRIMINALITY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS AN ICEBERG THAT IS ON THE BACK OF
24 EVERY COUNTY WHEN YOU LOOK AT 50 PERCENT COMMITTING NEW
25 CRIMES, WE ARE NOW RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT. HAD THEY STAYED IN



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1 THE STATE PRISON, THIS HE BEEN AT A STATE PRISON CONTROL, THAT
2 WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN A COST TO OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, OUR
3 PUBLIC DEFENDER, PROBATION AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. SO,
4 AGAIN, THAT'S A GIGANTIC COST THAT'S RIGHT BETWEEN THE EYES
5 WE'RE BEING HIT WITH. AND WHY THE BILL OUGHT TO BE REVOKED.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AS I WAS SAYING. WE
8 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. THE ENTIRE TEAM. MAKE NOTE OF
9 THE FACT THAT THE D.A.'S OFFICE SHOULD BE REPRESENTED IN THE
10 NEXT PRESENTATION. AND IF YOU'D JUST HOLD ON FOR A MOMENT. THE
11 NEXT PRESENTATION SHOULD BEGIN WITH A SUMMARY OF THE CONCERNS
12 THAT WERE RAISED BY THE RESPECTIVE BOARD MEMBERS. AND THEN
13 BACK THE REST OF IT UP WITH THE DETAILS AND DATA THAT YOU WISH
14 FOR US TO KNOW. PLEASE COME FORWARD IN AN EXPLICIT ATTEMPT TO
15 BE RESPONSIVE TO THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED ON THIS
16 BUSINESS OF THE ABSCONDERS. ADDRESS IT HEAD ON IN LIGHT OF THE
17 DISCUSSION. ON THE QUESTION OF RECIDIVISM, ADDRESS IT HEAD ON
18 AS HAS BEEN MY CONCERN. WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN TO A SIGNIFICANT
19 DISCUSSION ON THE QUESTION OF REENTRY AT THIS POINT IN TIME,
20 BUT THAT, TOO, IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT PIECES OF THIS THAT
21 HASN'T BEEN, IT IS UNDERDEVELOPED IN LIGHT OF THE AMOUNT OF
22 TIME AND ATTENTION, OBVIOUSLY, THAT HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO TRYING
23 TO DEAL WITH THE MORE BACK END, IF YOU WILL, CONCERNS WITH
24 RESPECT TO MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT
25 THERE ARE SPECIFIC THINGS THAT EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD HAS



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1 CALLED TO THE TEAM'S ATTENTION. WE TRUST THAT YOU'LL DIRECT
2 YOURSELVES TO THOSE THINGS SPECIFICALLY WHEN YOU RETURN IN
3 APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH. ONCE AGAIN ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE
4 THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WORK. AND WE WISH TO COLLABORATE IN
5 IMPROVEMENT OF THE SAME. THERE ARE SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO WISH TO
6 BE HEARD AT THIS POINT. AND AS FOR SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
7 CONCERNS ABOUT THE LEGISLATION NEEDING BE TO BE SCRAPPED AND
8 THE GOVERNOR BEING ON THE MOON, THAT'S ANOTHER DISCUSSION
9 WE'LL HAVE TO DISCUSS AT ANOTHER BOARD MEETING IN A SPECIAL
10 SESSION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUSAN BURTON. PUBLIC HEARING ON
11 THIS. BARBARA BIGBY. FRANK BACIO. CHERYL GRILLS. THOSE ARE THE
12 FIRST FOUR SPEAKERS. ON THE ITEMS. THEY ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF
13 THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION, I UNDERSTAND. AND WE WISH TO HEAR
14 FROM THEM. AND THEN IRENE GONZALEZ, THEODORE CHA. AZIM
15 MUHAMMAD. ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE SEE THE SERGEANT AS YOU WILL BE
16 IN THE QUEUE TO SPEAK. ARNOLD SACHS. JIMALL THROWER. ALL
17 RIGHT, THOSE THAT ARE BEFORE US, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

18
19 **SUSAN BURTON:** HI, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. WE'RE HERE AS SYBIL
20 BRAND COMMISSIONERS. AND WE WANT TO REPORT ON THE INSPECTION
21 OF KENYON JUSTICE CENTER, JUSTICE COURT LOCATED IN THE SECOND
22 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, ADDRESS 7625 CENTRAL AVENUE. ON MARCH
23 28, 2013, COMMISSIONER CHERYL GRILLS AND I WENT TO KENYON
24 JUVENILE COURT TO INSPECT AS PART OF OUR COMMISSIONER ROLE. WE
25 LEARNED THAT KENYON IS SLATED TO CLOSE. WHAT WE FOUND OUT IS



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1 THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF COURT CASES HEARD EACH DAY AT
2 KENYON, RANGING FROM 275 TO 300 CASES. AS THE SYBIL BRAND
3 COMMISSION, WE RECOMMEND THIS BOARD EVALUATE THE EFFECT THE
4 CLOSURE OF KENYON JUVENILE COURT WOULD HAVE ON THIS COMMUNITY
5 AND PUBLIC SAFETY. WHILE PERFORMING OUR INSPECTION, WE NOTED
6 THE NEED TO UPDATE SECURITY EQUIPMENT. WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY
7 TO VISIT THE STAR COURT AND LEARN THE WORK BEING DONE TO
8 PREVENT YOUNG GIRLS FROM BEING EXPLOITED THROUGH SEX
9 TRAFFICKING. WE LEARNED 99 PERCENT OF THE STAR COURT
10 PARTICIPANTS ARE D.C.F.S. INVOLVED, AND 85 PERCENT ARE IN
11 FOSTER CARE AND MANY OF THE GIRLS WOULD BE IN DANGER IF THEY
12 TRAVEL TO OTHER AREAS TO ACCESS THE STAR COURT. FURTHER, AS
13 STATED IN AN ARTICLE IN THE L.A. TIMES YESTERDAY, THE
14 COMMUNITY HAS SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE EFFECTS OF CLOSING
15 THIS COURT. THE COMMUNITY THAT USES THIS COURT IS HARD-PRESSED
16 FOR RESOURCES. THIS COURT IS A RESOURCE THAT THE COMMUNITY
17 NEEDS TO HAVE ACCESS TO. WHEN SPEAKING TO SOCIAL WORKERS IN
18 THE AREA ABOUT THE CLOSURE, THEY EXPRESSED A DEFINITE HARDSHIP
19 IT WOULD POSE TO THEIR ABILITY TO GET THEIR CLIENTS TO ANOTHER
20 COURT LOCATION. SOMEBODY MISS BIGBY IS PASSING ME HER TIME.

21
22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. PLEASE PROCEED.

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24 **SUSAN BURTON:** AMONG OUR JUSTICE INVOLVED YOUTH, THERE ARE MANY
25 PROBLEMS WITH TERRITORY ISSUES THAT COULD LEAD TO VIOLENCE OR



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1 THE INABILITY TO SHOW UP AT OTHER COURTS IN THE AREA. THIS
2 WOULD ONLY SERVE TO INCREASE THEIR PROBLEMS IN THE JUSTICE
3 SYSTEM. KENYON IS AN IMPORTANT COMMUNITY RESOURCE. WE FOUND
4 THAT THE STAFF THERE HAD VERY COMPREHENSIVE WAYS OF COUNSELING
5 THE YOUTH AND THE CREATION OF PROGRAMS FOR THE YOUTH AND
6 FAMILIES SERVED BY KENYON. KENYON WOULD SURELY REDUCE FURTHER
7 YOUTH COURT INVOLVEMENT. THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION RECOMMENDS
8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LOOKS INTO THE EFFECTS THE CLOSURE
9 WOULD HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY IT SERVES AND PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES
10 THAT WOULD ULTIMATELY ARISE FROM ITS CLOSURE.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
13 TESTIMONY, COMMISSIONER. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE, COMMISSIONER.

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15 **CHERYL GRILLS:** MY NAME IS DR. CHERYL GRILLS AND I SERVE ON THE
16 SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS. ON
17 BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE SOME RELEVANT
18 DATA ASSOCIATED WITH KENYON JUVENILE JUSTICE COURT AND THE
19 STAR PROGRAM. STAR MEANS STRIVING THROUGH AN RESILIENCE. THE
20 PROJECT SERVES GIRLS RANGING IN AGE FROM 12 TO 17. THERE ARE
21 APPROXIMATELY 172 GIRLS IN L.A. COUNTY THAT ARE PICKED UP OR
22 CHARGED FOR SEX TRAFFICKING. 96 PERCENT ARE FROM THE SOUTH
23 CENTRAL AREA. 99 PERCENT OF THEM ARE OR HAVE BEEN INVOLVED
24 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. THE STAR
25 COURT MANAGES ALL OF THESE COURTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY.



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1 MANY, IN FACT MOST OF THEM SUFFER FROM POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS
2 DISORDER. IF KENYON JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER CLOSES, THESE
3 GIRLS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO, AMONG OTHER PLACES, COMPTON
4 COURT. THERE THEY WILL BE FACED WITH SEEING THEIR TRAFFICKER
5 OR FRIENDS FROM STREET LIFE AND LIKELY FACE FURTHER
6 VICTIMIZATION FROM THREATS OR INTIMIDATION. THE GIRLS WILL
7 ALSO LOSE THEIR CURRENT LEGAL REPRESENTATION. IN FACT, ONE
8 PANEL ATTORNEY AT KENYON WHO WORKS BY CONTRACT NOTES THAT
9 THEIR CONTRACTS ARE SITE-SPECIFIC NOT CLIENT-SPECIFIC. OVER 40
10 OF HER CASES WILL GO TO COMPTON. THIS COULD TRIGGER FURTHER
11 ISSUES CAUSING THE GIRLS TO DETERIORATE AND HAVE SETBACKS FROM
12 COURT LOCATION AND LEGAL COUNSEL CHANGES. IN OTHER WORDS, THE
13 VICTIMS WILL BE FURTHER VICTIMIZED. CLOSURE OF THIS JUVENILE
14 COURTHOUSE WILL HAVE A MULTITUDE OF EFFECTS, MOST OF WHICH
15 WILL RESULT IN NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
16 IN SOUTH L.A. AND ON AN ALREADY STRAINED AND UNDER RESOURCED
17 COMMUNITY. THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT THE BOARD
18 OF SUPERVISORS EXAMINE THE CLOSURE DECISION AND ITS
19 RAMIFICATION ON VULNERABLE GIRLS AND CHILDREN AND THE
20 COMMUNITY IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE.



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I MIGHT ADD. WE'RE GOING TO DOUBLE-CHECK
2 EVERYTHING, BUT OBVIOUSLY THIS IS AN ISSUE WE'VE BEEN
3 FOLLOWING CLOSELY, AS WELL. JUDGE PRATT'S COURT IS NOT GOING
4 TO BE CLOSED. IT'S GOING TO BE MOVED. AND IT WILL BE MOVED
5 FROM COMPTON TO INGLEWOOD AS I UNDERSTAND. IT NEVER WAS IN THE
6 KENYON COURT. AND THIS IS THAT ISOLATED COURTROOM TO DEAL WITH
7 THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING ISSUE. WE'RE GOING TO DOUBLE-CHECK THAT
8 TO MAKE SURE THAT JUDGE PRATT'S COURTROOM REMAINS OPEN. BUT
9 WE'RE BEING TOLD THAT IT IS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND WE WILL, IN FACT,
12 FOLLOW UP ON THAT. A LOT UP IN THE AIR ON THE COURT CLOSURES.
13 BUT WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. MR. PREVEN? FOLLOWED BY
14 THE BALANCE OF THE SPEAKERS, EDDIE CHISM, DWIGHT THOMPSON,
15 MELISSA KRAUDE, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
18 DISTRICT 3. AND IT WAS A VERY INTERESTING REPORT TODAY. AT THE
19 OUTSET, I FOUND THE DOCUMENTATION DIFFICULT BECAUSE THERE WAS
20 NO LEGEND FOR SOME OF THE ABBREVIATIONS, WHICH I MUST SAY THIS
21 IS A VAST IMPROVEMENT FROM PREVIOUS REPORTS ON PROBATION, BUT
22 IT IS CRITICAL THAT THE ABBREVIATIONS BE IDENTIFIED BECAUSE
23 THOSE OF US WHO ARE NOT WONKY C.D.C.R. EXPERTS CAN'T FOLLOW
24 ALONG. SO THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF THAT FOR THE NEXT TIME.
25 I WILL SAY THAT YOU THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S ABSENCE IN THESE



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1 PROCEEDINGS HAS ALWAYS BAFFLED ME BECAUSE THIS IS A CRITICAL
2 ELEMENT, WHO'S ASSIGNED THESE SENTENCES AND IT ALSO, FRANKLY,
3 SURPRISES ME WHEN I HEAR THE SUPERVISORS UPSET THAT THE JUDGES
4 ARE NOT PROVIDING SENTENCES WHICH HAVE LONG TAILS ON THEM. I
5 MEAN, A LONG PROBATION TAIL DOES NOT EQUAL PUBLIC SAFETY, I
6 DON'T THINK. I DON'T THINK THAT THAT'S -- I THINK THAT THE
7 RECIDIVISM NUMBERS HISTORICALLY HAVE INDICATED THAT IN FACT
8 THIS IS A CYCLICAL MESS THAT WHETHER OR NOT SOMEONE'S SERVING
9 A HARD YEAR AND THEN BEING OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY IS GOING TO
10 BE BETTER OR WORSE IS GOING TO BE SOMETHING WE'RE GOING TO
11 SEE. AND, FRANKLY, WHAT WE NEED TO BE DOING, AS I NOTE THERE'S
12 \$10 MILLION NOT SPENT OUT OF THE 73 MILLION FOR THE TOTAL
13 BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013, THAT MONEY NEEDS TO BE PUT
14 INTO THE COMMUNITY TO MAKE IT SO THAT THESE PEOPLE DON'T
15 RECIDIVATE, SO DON'T GO BACK TO COMMITTING CRIMES. AND I
16 REALLY THINK THAT THOSE INITIATIVES ARE WHERE WE NEED TO BE
17 LOOKING, NOT IN ADDITIONAL POLICING OF THE POLICING. DON'T GET
18 ME WRONG. PUBLIC SAFETY IS CRITICAL. LAW ENFORCEMENT IS
19 ESSENTIAL. BUT SETTING UP A CREDIBLE ZONED DEFENSE AND MAKING
20 IT CLEAR THAT THE PEOPLE WHO COME BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY WHO
21 HAVE MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS ARE NOT GOING TO BE INCARCERATED
22 FOR MISSING AN APPOINTMENT THAT WOULD MAKE SOME PEOPLE VERY,
23 VERY HAPPY. WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO BE MORE HUMANE. FINALLY,
24 I GUESS ELECTRONIC MONITORING WHICH IS A THORN IN A NUMBER OF
25 PEOPLE'S SIDES, ELECTRONIC MONITORING IS ABOUT \$3,000 A



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1 CHARACTER PER YEAR, GUYS THAT ARE ON MONITORING. IT'S \$35,000,
2 THIS IN MICHIGAN, FOR A PERSON WHO'S INCARCERATED. IT'S VASTLY
3 BETTER. WE CAN FIND A WAY TO MAKE FOR PEOPLE WHO CUT STRAPS,
4 AND BY THE WAY, MOST OF THE STRAP CUTTERS, IF YOU WILL, ARE
5 REPEAT STRAP CUTTERS. SO THOSE NUMBERS SEEM MUCH LARGER THAN
6 THEY ARE. I APPRECIATE THE BOARD TAKING A GOOD HARD LOOK AT
7 THIS.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
10 MA'AM?

11

12 **MELISSA KRAUDE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MELISSA KRAUDE AND
13 I AM A RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, DISTRICT 5. I'M HERE ON
14 BEHALF OF MY BOYFRIEND, ROBERT MARQUEZ WHO IS CURRENTLY IN
15 CUSTODY. HE WAS ISSUED A CATCH AND RELEASE FORM AND THEN LATER
16 CHARGES WERE APPARENTLY FILED AFTER HIM HAVING NO PROBABLE
17 CAUSE. THERE ARE SEVERAL DISCREPANCIES IN THE CASE. HOWEVER,
18 THE CURRENT ISSUE IS THAT HE WAS OUT ON BAIL, GOING TO HIS
19 COURT HEARINGS, PAYING HIS BAIL ARRANGEMENT AS AGREED. AND DUE
20 TO THE DISCREPANCIES STARTING TO BE BROUGHT UP IN COURT, HIS
21 BAIL WAS RAISED TO AN AMOUNT THAT HIS MOTHER'S HOUSE DOESN'T
22 HOLD ENOUGH EQUITY OR ANYTHING ELSE. HE HAS GLIOBLASTOMA,
23 WHICH IS A FORM OF BRAIN CANCER. WE HAVE CONTACTED THE CAPTAIN
24 AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. I HAVE CONTACTED MEDICAL COMMAND. I'VE
25 CONTACTED THE SHERIFF'S HEADQUARTERS. I'VE CONTACTED EVERY



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1 CHAIN OF COMMAND THAT I KNOW POSSIBLE. HE'S STILL NOT
2 RECEIVING ANY OF THE MEDS OR MEDICAL TREATMENT THAT HE NEEDS.
3 HE WAS BROUGHT INTO CUSTODY ON THE EIGHTH OF THIS MONTH. AND
4 EVERY SINGLE TIME THEY RE-EVALUATE HIM AND RE-EVALUATE HIM IN
5 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, THEY JUST ISSUE HIM MOTRIN AGAIN AND SAY
6 THAT THE COUNTY IS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE THE MEDICATIONS THAT HE
7 NEEDS IN ORDER FOR HIM TO STAY ALIVE. HE CALLS US AT 4:00 P.M.
8 SOMETIMES IN TEARS, IN PAIN BECAUSE OF JUST THE CANCER TAKING
9 ITS EFFECT. THERE WAS NO PROBLEMS WITH HIM MAKING HIS DOCTOR'S
10 APPOINTMENTS WHILE HE WAS OUT ON BAIL. THE REASONING FOR HIS
11 BAIL BEING RAISED, I JUST DON'T FEEL THAT IS APPROPRIATE IF
12 THE COUNTY IS NOT ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF HIM. HE'S GOING TO DIE
13 WITHOUT HIS MEDS. AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO GET HIM OUT. SO I'M
14 HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR GUYS' SUPPORT IN ENSURING THAT HE BE
15 RELEASED SO HE CAN GET THE PROPER MEDICAL ATTENTION HE NEEDS
16 WHILE HIS CASE FURTHER GOES THROUGH COURT OR INVESTIGATED WITH
17 THE DISCREPANCIES. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVE THIS INFORMATION TO MY DEPUTY OVER HERE.
23 WE'LL CHECK ON HIS MEDICAL CONDITION.

24

25 **MELISSA KRAUDE:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **EDDIE CHISM:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS EDDIE
5 CHISM. I'M REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION
6 OFFICERS UNION. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO DEFER OUR COMMENTS TO
7 APPROPRIATE TIME AT A LATER DATE.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SIR. ALL RIGHT. NEXT
10 SPEAKER? SIR? YOU HAVE THE MICROPHONE. THEN I WILL CALL SUE
11 CLINE, JONATHAN BYRD, JOSEPH MAIZLISH, HANNA DERSHOWITZ, MARK
12 ANTHONY JOHNSON, JOHN WALSH, TERRY SIGMUND, MICHAEL CARREON.
13 ON THAT ORDER, PLEASE. PLEASE COME FORWARD. MARK?

14

15 **MARK ANTHONY JOHNSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARK ANTHONY
16 JOHNSON WITH THE COALITION TO END SHERIFF VIOLENCE. WE ARE
17 HERE SUPPORTING MELISSA, WHO JUST SPOKE ON HER BOYFRIEND'S
18 CONDITION AS PART OF A REQUEST FOR THIS BOARD TO REALLY LOOK
19 AT THE PROBLEM OF THE COUNTY JAIL NOT BEING ABLE TO PROVIDE
20 THE SERVICES THAT FOLKS NEED IN CUSTODY. WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT
21 MELISSA'S CASE IS AN EXCEPTION. WE ACTUALLY BELIEVE THAT THERE
22 ARE OTHER ROBERTS OUT THERE THAT ARE NOT JUST PHYSICAL HEALTH
23 BUT MENTAL HEALTH, AS WELL. AND WE BELIEVE THAT THERE SHOULD
24 BE A SIGNIFICANT PUSH TO LOOK AT ALTERNATIVES FOR MENTAL
25 HEALTH AND MEDICAL NEEDS THAN THE JAIL SYSTEM, WHICH CLEARLY,



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1 AS YOU'VE JUST HEARD, CANNOT PROVIDE THE NEEDS THAT THESE
2 FOLKS NEED. WE'RE ASKING YOU TO REALLY LOOK AT ALTERNATIVES TO
3 INCARCERATION, REALLY LOOK AT DIVERSIONS, REALLY LOOKING AT
4 PUTTING COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND GIVING THEM THE BUDGETS AND
5 THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO SUPPORT OUR FOLKS. WE'RE ALSO
6 CALLING FOR A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD AND WANT TO WORK WITH YOU
7 AND WHAT THAT CAN LOOK LIKE TO TAKE ON CASES THAT YOU JUST
8 HEARD SUCH AS MELISSA'S BOYFRIEND. WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S AN
9 EXCEPTION. WE BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE OTHER FOLKS IN THE JAILS
10 WHO ARE EXPERIENCING SIMILAR CONDITIONS. WEEKLY WE GET CALLS
11 FROM FOLKS WHO ARE VISITING THEIR LOVED ONES IN THE JAILS WITH
12 SIMILAR CASES. AND SO WE'D LIKE TO CALL ATTENTION TO THIS.
13 THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND PERHAPS
16 YOU WILL JOIN MELISSA WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S STAFF
17 PERSON TO BEGIN THAT DIALOGUE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** MY NAME IS JOSEPH MAIZLISH, GOOD AFTERNOON.
20 FIRST A COUPLE REMARKS ABOUT THE REPORT. I WAS VERY GRATIFIED
21 TO SEE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS IN ON IT AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA
22 POINTED OUT AND AS YOU JUST SAID, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SHOULD
23 BE IN THAT, TOO. LOOK, WE'RE TRYING TO HELP PEOPLE REORGANIZE
24 THEIR LIVES AND INTEGRATE THEMSELVES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. AND
25 SO IT'S VERY APPROPRIATE THAT THE COUNTY STEPS UP ITS LEVEL OF



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1 INTEGRATION, ABILITY TO INTEGRATE SERVICES AND INTEGRATE
2 DEPARTMENTS. SO THAT'S PRETTY IMPORTANT. I WAS ALSO GRATIFIED
3 TO SEE SOMETHING IN THERE AMONG THE LIST OF ITEMS THAT I
4 HADN'T SEEN BEFORE WHEN I'VE SAT HERE WITH ERNEST SHEPHERD, MY
5 COLLEAGUE IN THIS MOVEMENT. HE WAS JUST ABOUT CRYING WHEN HE
6 TALKED ABOUT BUS PASSES AND SOME OF THE SIMPLER THINGS THAT
7 ARE ON THE LIST NOW. SO I'M VERY GLAD THAT'S BEING THOUGHT
8 ABOUT IN A REALISTIC WAY THAT'S ORIENTED TO THE LIVING
9 EXPERIENCE OF THE PEOPLE BEING RELEASED. OF COURSE FROM
10 GETTING IT FROM PLAN TO REALITY TAKES MANY STEPS. YOU FOLKS
11 KNOW THAT AND I ASSURE YOU OF MY SUPPORT AND MANY OF MY CIVIC
12 ACTIVIST COLLEAGUES IN SEEING THAT THOSE THINGS HAPPEN. BY THE
13 WAY, THEY CAN GO FAR BEYOND THE SPECIFIC RELEASE, POST RELEASE
14 MEASURES AND SUPERVISION MEASURES. THERE WERE A LOT OF STUDIES
15 THAT YOU FOLKS HAD -- THEY CAN EVEN GO. IF WE ARE GOING TO
16 REACH THE PROBLEM OF PEOPLE BEING FED INTO THE SYSTEM AT THE
17 HIGH RATE THAT THEY ARE, WE NEED TO LOOK AT THINGS LIKE
18 CHANGES IN THE LAWS, SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE BEYOND YOUR
19 IMMEDIATE REACH AS SUPERVISORS, BUT YOUR VOICE CAN BE HEARD AS
20 WELL AS OURS AS CIVIC ACTIVISTS TO CHANGE THINGS. I'M VERY
21 GLAD YOU'RE CONSIDERING PROSECUTORIAL PRACTICES IN ALL OF THIS
22 TOO. BUT LET'S CONSIDER THE UPSTREAM SOURCES OF THE PROBLEM.
23 AND I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THIS SENTIMENT THAT THE COUNTY IS
24 BEING DUMPED ON. I DON'T THINK ENDING RE-ALIGNMENT WILL DO IT.
25 I THINK IT'S GETTING THE ATTENTION OF THE STATES TO OTHER



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1 CHANGES THAT WILL BE NEEDED. I HAVE THREE REPORTS I'VE LISTED
2 ON THE BACKSIDE OF MY REMARKS HERE. AND I WANT THAT
3 DISTRIBUTED TO ALL OF YOU FOLKS. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
4 ENGAGING WITH THIS ISSUE.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
7 TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
10 APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS STEPPED UP
11 TO BE THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE OTHER 58 COUNTIES. BUT JUST OUT OF
12 CURIOSITY, HOW MANY OF THE OTHER COUNTIES HAD A CLOSED SESSION
13 HEARING WITH THE GOVERNOR TO DISCUSS THE A.B., THE RE-
14 ALIGNMENT AND THE DISCUSSION REGARDING PROP 30, WHICH
15 ACCORDING TO YOUR NOTICE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AS
16 ADOPTED BY THE SUPERVISOR ON DECEMBER 11, 2012 THAT PROP 30
17 WHICH WAS APPROVED BY VOTERS, PROPOSITION 30 AMENDS THE STATE
18 CONSTITUTION TO GUARANTEE FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES
19 REALIGNED FROM THE STATE TO COUNTIES UNDER THE 2011 PUBLIC
20 SAFETY RE-ALIGNMENT AND TO PROVIDE PROTECTIONS FROM FUTURE
21 UNFUNDED COSTS TO ADMINISTER THE REALIGNED PROGRAMS? SO YOU
22 KNEW IN THE CLOSED SESSION BECAUSE THE ONLY THING YOU WOULD
23 HAVE DISCUSSED WOULD HAVE BEEN MONEY BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T
24 DISCUSS THE NON, NON, NON'S BECAUSE YOU'VE DISCUSSED THAT
25 OPENLY. YOU DIDN'T DISCUSS STAFFING BECAUSE YOU DISCUSS THAT



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1 HAD OPENLY. SO IT WAS JUST A MATTER OF MONEY. AND PROP 30,
2 WHICH PEOPLE VOTED FOR BECAUSE THEY HEARD THAT IT HELP TO
3 SALVAGE EDUCATION, YOU DIDN'T MENTION ANYTHING TO THE PUBLIC
4 AGAIN ABOUT, WELL IT'LL HELP TO SALVAGE EDUCATION BUT IT WILL
5 PUT PRISONERS ON THE STREET. SO HOW DO YOU MAKE THOSE ENDS
6 MEET? I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU BROUGHT UP THE COUNTY'S 5
7 PERCENT SPLIT SENTENCING. BUT THE OTHER COUNTIES ARE AVERAGING
8 85 PERCENT. AND ON TOP OF THAT, WHAT'S REALLY ASININE, TO
9 QUOTE THE SUPERVISOR, IS THE FACT THAT THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS IS PAYING THE COUNTY JUDGES, WHAT IS IT? \$50
11 MILLION A YEAR IN BONUSES ON TOP OF THEIR SALARIES? AND COURTS
12 ARE CLOSING. THAT'S ASININE.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS MOVES, MR.
15 ANTONOVICH SECONDS, OBVIOUSLY. PROCEED WITH THE COMMENT.

16

17 **HANNA DERSHOWITZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
18 SUPERVISORS. I'M HANNA DERSHOWITZ AND REPRESENTING THE LOS
19 ANGELES REGIONAL REENTRY PARTNERSHIP AND THE A.C.L.U. IN ORDER
20 TO REACH OUR COMMON GOAL OF MAKING LOS ANGELES COUNTY A MODEL
21 OF BEST PRACTICES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF RE-ALIGNMENT, A NUMBER
22 OF THINGS STILL DO NEED TO HAPPEN. I DO WANT TO POINT OUT ONE
23 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE THAT HAS BEEN THE LAMENTABLE LACK OF
24 COMMUNITY INPUT INTO KEY IMPLEMENTATION DECISIONS AND ACTIONS.
25 AND WE'RE PLEASED TO SEE THE STATEMENT THAT I NOTICED ON PAGE



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1 46 OF THE POSTED REPORT, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOT DISCUSSED
2 EXPLICITLY TODAY WHEN CHIEF POWERS WAS ON THE PAGE, THAT
3 APPEARS TO BE A RESPONSE TO LARP AND OTHER COMMUNITY GROUPS'
4 REQUESTS ON MANY OCCASIONS INCLUDING IN LARP'S FEBRUARY 26
5 LETTER TO THIS BODY TO IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD.
6 IN THE REPORT TODAY IT SAID COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. WE
7 ASKED FOR A SWIFT IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT. WE THANK THE CHIEF
8 FOR PUTTING IT IN THE REPORT AND WE HOPE THAT - WE STAND READY
9 TO ASSIST IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT COMMUNITY ADVISORY
10 COMMITTEE. WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE IN PLACE IN TIME FOR INPUT
11 ON THE BUDGET CYCLE FOR THE NEXT 8109 BUDGET. AND THE SECOND
12 ITEM IS ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. AS WE KNOW, JAIL IS THE
13 MOST EXPENSIVE INTERVENTION TO HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE AND
14 OFTEN NOT THE MOST EFFECTIVE. AND THERE ARE SO MANY
15 ALTERNATIVES THAT HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED AND THAT IN FACT ARE
16 AGREED TO BY ALL OF THE KEY STAKEHOLDERS, BUT SOME OF THEM,
17 THERE NEEDS TO BE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF
18 THESE, SPECIFICALLY A PRETRIAL RELEASE PROGRAM AND A PROGRAM
19 TO MOVE QUALIFIED SENTENCED PERSONS INTO COMMUNITY PLACEMENTS
20 TO PROVIDE THOSE KINDS OF SERVICES AND TRANSITION. AND ALSO
21 SIGNIFICANTLY WE'VE HEARD A LOT TODAY ABOUT THE FACT THAT L.A.
22 IS AN OUTLIER ON SPLIT SENTENCING. IF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN
23 INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF SPLIT SENTENCES, THAT WOULD NOT
24 ONLY SAVE MONEY AND PROVIDE THAT TAIL, BUT ALSO SERVICES. AND



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1 FINALLY WE'D LIKE TO SEE THE SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT
2 DIVERSIFIED AND PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MA'AM?

5

6 **JOHN WALSH:** THANK YOU FOR THE WATER. THEY HAVE WATER AT THE
7 CITY COUNCIL BUT IT'S POISONED FOR THE PUBLIC SPEAKERS. THIS
8 IS JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. AND ALL YOU
9 HAVE TO DO TO GO TO J. WALSH CONFIDENTIAL IS GO LIKE THIS AND
10 ALL OF A SUDDEN YOU WILL BE AT J. WALSH CONFIDENTIAL. I LIKE
11 THE REPORT. I'M VERY, VERY WORRIED ABOUT SHERIFFS WHO MAY BE
12 ARRESTED AND THE FACILITIES FOR SHERIFFS TO BE ARRESTED I'M
13 TALKING ABOUT PAT JORDAN. BECAUSE I'M BEING TOLD BY SHERIFFS
14 AT OTHER COUNTIES THAT THE REASON HE WAS DEMOTED WAS THAT WHEN
15 HE PUT THE PHONY RUNNER IN THE RACE THAT TENS OF THOUSANDS OF
16 DOLLARS WERE BET ON THAT RACE. AND THE REASON HE GOT CAUGHT IS
17 BECAUSE A SHERIFF AT ANOTHER COUNTY FOUND OUT ABOUT IT AND
18 RATTED HIM OUT. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT PAT JORDAN AND
19 ALSO AS YOU KNOW SINCE WE'VE HAD THIS NEW SYSTEM OF LETTING
20 PEOPLE OUT, THE RAPE RATE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS
21 SKYROCKETED. IT'S UP 6 PERCENT. AND PEOPLE ARE BEING RAPED
22 EVERY DAY. GO TO CRIME MAPPING L.A., YOU WILL GET YOUR RAPE
23 STATISTICS, ALL YOUR CRIME STATISTICS WITHIN ONE MILE RADIUS
24 OF WHERE YOU LIVE. AND WE HAVE ENORMOUS NUMBERS OF RAPES. AND
25 THEY DON'T GET CAUGHT BECAUSE THERE IS NO CRIME IN HOLLYWOOD.



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1 JUST GO TO HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG AND AN ICON OFF TO
2 JWALSH.WORDPRESS.COM. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MA'AM.

5

6 **TERRY SIGMUND:** I DO NOT SEE ANYWHERE IN THIS REPORT CONCERNS
7 OF RACIAL PROFILING BY THE ARRESTING OFFICERS. THERE'S NO
8 STATISTIC ADDRESSING THE RACE OF THE PEOPLE YOU ARE RE-
9 ARRESTING. IT SEEMS TO ME THE PRISON SYSTEM HAS BECOME A
10 BUSINESS AND THE MELANIN RICH PEOPLE YOUR PREY. IT'S ILLOGICAL
11 THAT THE MAJORITY OF JAILEES ARE MELANIN RICH. ALSO ARRESTING
12 MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE IS AS INSANE FOR A TWO-YEAR-OLD FOR
13 MENACING ACTIONS. DRUG ADDICTS AND THE MENTALLY ILL HAVE NO
14 PLACE IN JAIL. THEY NEED OUR CARE, LOVE, DEVOTION AND
15 PRACTICAL SERVICES TO GET THEM OUT OF THEIR TRAUMA. GOING TO
16 JAIL IS NOT EXACTLY THERAPEUTIC. THE RATE OF ARREST IS NON-
17 SENSIBLE. HOW CAN AMERICA HAVE FIVE TIMES MORE PRISONERS IN
18 THE COUNTRY THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD? YOU WOULD HAVE TO
19 CONCLUDE THAT AMERICANS ARE FIVE TIMES WORSE THAN ANY OTHER
20 PEOPLE ON THIS PLANET. PLEASE TELL ME YOU DO NOT BELIEVE THIS
21 BECAUSE YOU SHOULDN'T BE SITTING HERE IF YOU DO. PEOPLE FEAR
22 COPS AS THEY KNOW THEY'RE ON POWER TRIPS. I HAVE NOTIFIED HOW
23 TERRIFIED BROWN PEOPLE ARE OF THE POLICE. THAT IS WHAT YOU
24 SHOULD BE WORKING ON. YOUR STATISTICS APPLY THAT BROWN PEOPLE
25 ARE OFTEN CHARGED DANGEROUS. I DON'T BUY THAT. YOU WANT TO



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1 REDUCE YOUR PRISON RATE? STOP TAKING ALL THESE BROWN CHILDREN
2 FROM THEIR FAMILIES UNDER THIS GUISE OF CHILD WELFARE. BECAUSE
3 CHOSE KIDS IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM ARE EXACTLY THOSE WHO END
4 UP IN THE PRISON SYSTEM. YOU SHUFFLE FROM ONE INSTITUTION TO
5 THE NEXT. OVER 70 PERCENT OF YOUR PRISON POPULATION COMES FROM
6 THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND YOU DON'T EVEN FIND IT NECESSARY OR
7 IMPORTANT ENOUGH TO MENTION THAT FACT IN YOUR REPORT. YOU GET
8 FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THESE CHILDREN WHEN YOU TAKE THEM FROM THE
9 FAMILIES, BUT THE PUBLIC IS STUCK WITH PAYING THE PRICE AND
10 THE PRISON CARE BILL ONCE THEY TURN CRIMINALS, WHICH MORE
11 OFTEN THAN NOT THEY DO. WELL THAT IS JUST FANTASTIC FOR US.
12 WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THESE BROWN FAMILIES THAT ARE
13 COMING INTO THE SYSTEM OVER AND OVER AND OVER AND THEN END UP
14 IN PRISONERS? IT'S ALL COMING BACK TO BITE US.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU.
17 [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOU GUYS TALKED ABOUT PROPOSITION 109.
20 IT'S BROKEN. IT DOESN'T WORK. YOU GUYS OUGHT TO KNOW IT BY
21 NOW. IF YOU SAT HERE AND YOU SAW ALL OF THE NUMBERS THEY WERE
22 GIVING YOU, THEY WERE CLOAK AND DAGGER. NONE OF THESE NUMBERS
23 MADE SENSE TO ME AND I WORK IN THE. FIELD. I WORK FOR AN
24 A.V.R.C.S AND ALL THE CLIENTS WE GOT, WE ONLY HAVE ONE STILL
25 THERE. BUT THE PROBLEM IS THAT NOBODY CARES ABOUT WHERE THESE



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1 CLIENTS GO AND THE BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THERE'S NO EDUCATION.
2 THERE'S NO TRAINING. THERE'S NO DISCUSSION ABOUT ABOUT WITH
3 THESE CLIENTS BEFORE THEY'RE RELEASED. THEY'RE NOT TOLD WHAT
4 TO EXPECT. AS SOON AS THEY HIT OUR FACILITY, THEY STAY THERE
5 FOR A FEW DAYS AND THEY LEAVE. AND DO YOU KNOW WHAT? OUR
6 FACILITY IS NOT CAPABLE OF COPING WITH THIS A.B.109
7 EXPERIENCE. WHY? BECAUSE THE NUMBERS ARE ALL PLAYED WITH. AND
8 THEY'RE SITTING HERE TELLING YOU EVERYTHING YOU GUYS WANT TO
9 HEAR AND I'M GLAD THAT MISS MOLINA BROUGHT UP A FEW KEY
10 SUBJECTS ABOUT RECIDIVISM. THAT'S THEIR BIGGEST PROBLEM. REAL
11 SIMPLE. YOU GOT CAUGHT A SECOND TIME. YOU'RE A REPEAT. IT'S
12 NOT THAT DIFFICULT. BUT THEY'RE SPENDING MORE TIME AND MORE
13 MONEY DISCUSSING ALL THIS OTHER STUFF THAN DEALING WITH THE
14 ISSUE AND GETTING PEOPLE ON THE FRONTLINE TRAINING FOR THIS.
15 THESE PEOPLE COME INTO OUR FACILITY AND WANT TO CALL SHOTS.
16 AND THEY WANT TO RUN A REHABILITATION CENTER LIKE A PRISON.
17 YET THE STAFF THERE DIDN'T GET ANY TRAINING ON ANYTHING, THEY
18 WERE TOLD HERE, THIS IS WHAT YOU GET, DEAL WITH IT. AND I HOPE
19 MR. ANTONOVICH IS LISTENING. HE SEEMS TO BE CAUGHT UP WITH
20 WHATEVER ELSE IS HAPPENING BACK THERE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** (OFF MIC) -- SO YOU HAVEN'T BEEN WORKING AT
23 THE A.V. YOU'VE BEEN ON DISABILITY. SO RELATIVE TO YOUR
24 COMMENTS ON 109, THEY'RE NINE MONTHS LATE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** I SPEAK TO MY COLLEAGUES EVERY DAY.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CLOSES THE
4 PUBLIC HEARING ON THAT SET ITEM. WE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR
5 TESTIMONY. WE WILL RE-VISIT THIS ISSUE IN ONE MONTH. WE'LL
6 RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. I UNDERSTAND THAT SUPERVISOR
7 YAROSLAVSKY HAS MORE TO SAY ON THE SUBJECT. THANK YOU SO MUCH
8 SIR. NEXT ITEM, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER? ITEM 18?

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM 17, BUT YOU MAY ALSO WANT TO
11 DO YOUR SPECIALS AND THEN WHEN SUPERVISOR KNABE IS DOING HIS
12 SPECIALS HE MAY WANT TO CALL UP THE ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MAY I CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION THE
15 PASSING OF MS. DOROTHY ANDERSON, BORN NOVEMBER THE SECOND,
16 1946 AND PASSED ON APRIL 11TH AT THE AGE OF 66. SHE WORKED FOR
17 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE AT
18 THE U.S.C. MEDICAL JAIL WARD FOR SOME 20 YEARS. IN 1990 AFTER
19 RETIRING FROM THAT ASSIGNMENT, MS. ANDERSON BEGAN VOLUNTEERING
20 WITH L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHE DEVOTED HER
21 SERVICES AND BECAME THE LEAD VOLUNTEER FOR THE AUDREY AND
22 SYDNEY IRMAS YOUTH CENTER, SOUTH LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S STATION
23 AND THE TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU. IT IS DOCUMENTED THAT MS.
24 ANDERSON VOLUNTEERED SOME 75,000 HOURS OF SERVICE TO THE
25 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HOW SHE



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1 LIFTED THE SPIRITS OF THOSE SHE ENCOUNTERED AND EXEMPLIFIED
2 THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S CORE VALUES. MS. ANDERSON IS SURVIVED
3 BY HER THREE DAUGHTERS, TONETTE, TYRA AND TIFFANY AND MANY
4 FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER GREATLY. NAOMI ABRAMS
5 BRASFIELD. SHE PASSED ON APRIL 19 AT THE AGE OF 83. SHE WAS A
6 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT; THAT IS SOME 52
7 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER CHARLOTTE BRASFIELD,
8 ONE SON AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, SIX SISTERS, FOUR BROTHERS, SEVEN
9 GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY
10 RELATIVES AND FRIENDS WHO WILL DEARLY MISS HER. THOSE ARE MY
11 ADJOURNING MOTIONS. WE TURN NOW TO THE THIRD DISTRICT.
12 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD ASK THAT WE
13 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF NOEL GREENWOOD, THE LEGENDARY "LOS
14 ANGELES TIMES" DEPUTY MANAGING EDITOR. WHO NURTURED A
15 GENERATION OF JOURNALISTIC REPORTING TALENT AND PROFOUNDLY
16 RESHAPED LOCAL NEWS COVERAGE IN LOS ANGELES. HE PASSED AWAY
17 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 75 AT HIS HOME IN SANTA BARBARA AFTER A
18 LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE WAS BORN IN PROVIDENCE, RHODE
19 ISLAND, LATER MOVED WITH HIS FAMILY TO SAN JOSE, WHERE HE
20 ATTENDED COLLEGE BEFORE EMBARKING ON A CAREER IN JOURNALISM AS
21 A REPORTER FOR SMALL PAPERS ON GOLETA, RENO, BANNING, AND LAS
22 VEGAS, PRIOR TO JOINING THE L.A. TIMES WEST SIDE SECTION IN
23 1967. HE ROSE TO HOLD SEVERAL HIGH- LEVEL EDITING POSITIONS
24 BEFORE RETIRING FROM THE PAPER IN 1991, LATER TURNING TO BOOK
25 EDITING. AMONG MANY JOURNALISTIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS HE WAS



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1 LARGELY CREDITED WITH SHAPING AND PERSONALLY REWRITING THE
2 TIMES PULITZER PRIZE WINNING 1984 SERIES ON THE LATINO
3 COMMUNITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, DIANA GREENWOOD
4 AND DARIA KNIGHT; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD ASK
9 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE WIFE OF A GOOD FRIEND,
10 BETH MCDONALD. SHE PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING AFTER 3-1/2 YEAR
11 BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER LOVING HUSBAND,
12 MIKE, AND THEIR SON. SHE FOUGHT THE BATTLE. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
13 MEMORY OF ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND MARY ALYCE SOARES, FORMER MAYOR
14 AND RESIDENT OF ARTESIA. SHE'S BEEN A DEAR FRIEND FOR MANY
15 YEARS. SHE, TOO, FOUGHT A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER AND PASSED
16 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 69. WE WANT TO -- SHE'LL BE MISSED BY ALL.
17 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THEIR FAMILIES. ALSO ADJOURN IN
18 MEMORY OF CLARE "C.J." CONNELL PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. OUR
19 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SURVIVED
20 BY HIS PARTNER SIDNEY, AND MANY OTHERS. A GOOD GUY, GREAT
21 FRIEND, WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
22 DEREK SCHOENI, SON OF DONNA AND DICK SCHOENI, IF YOU REMEMBER,
23 OUR FORMER EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
24 DEREK PARTICIPATED IN THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY PROGRAM, MUSIC CENTER
25 AND PERFORMED AT THE HENRY FORD THEATER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN



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1 IN MEMORY OF HELEN JOY DEFLAVIO, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG
2 BEACH WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON,
3 JIM, AND WILL BE DEARLY MISSED. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
4 OF JAMES JOSEPH ENRIGHT, RETIRED ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, FATHER
5 OF ACTING ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF DAN ERTELL AND RETIRED FIRE
6 CAPTAIN, TRACY ERTEL, AND GRANDFATHER OF FIREFIGHTER, MIKE
7 ERTEL, WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A SHORT-TERM MENTAL ILLNESS ON
8 APRIL 14. HE RETIRED IN 1983 AFTER 34 YEARS OF FAITHFUL
9 SERVICE TO OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE'S A GRADUATE OF U.S.C.,
10 GRADUATE OF CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND SERVED IN THE NAVY
11 DURING WORLD WAR II. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BEVERLY; CHILDREN
12 DAN, TRACY, JEANNE; GRANDSON, MICHAEL; BROTHERS, RICHARD AND
13 STEPHEN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH ESCARZAGA
14 WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 13, A RESIDENT, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
15 CERRITOS, AS WELL AS A RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
16 DEPUTY SERGEANT. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BEVERLY, AND TWO
17 CHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DOROTHY HOLMES,
18 RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD, WHO
19 DIED PEACEFULLY ON APRIL 15. SHE ATTENDED EXCELSIOR HIGH
20 SCHOOL. SHE WENT ON TO WHITTIER BEAUTY COLLEGE. SHE WAS
21 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 72 YEARS; HER CHILDREN, GAIL,
22 GLENN, JANICE, CAROL ANITA, ALAN; 16 GRANDCHILDREN, 21 GREAT
23 GRANDCHILDREN. AND ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DON
24 PROSSER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, WHO HAD A VERY
25 BUSY AUTO REPAIR SHOP IN SIGNAL HILL. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS



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1 CHILDREN, STEVE, BARRY AND LISA. AND FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN
2 IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME RESIDENT OF BELLFLOWER, JOYCE
3 SLINGERLAND WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 12. SHE IS VERY INVOLVED
4 IN THE ORDER OF EASTERN STAR, BELLFLOWER CHAPTER AS WELL AS
5 THE NEIGHBORHOOD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
6 DAUGHTER, KARAN ANN; AND SISTER, JACKIE. CHAIRMAN, THOSE ARE
7 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
10 WE NOTE THAT YOU HELD ITEM 17.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE HELD ITEM 17. I WAS HOLDING IT FOR THE
13 PROPER MOMENT.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES. AND IT HAS ARRIVED.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** AND IT HAS ARRIVED. IF WE COULD JUST -- YOU KNOW,
18 AGAIN, WE'VE HAD THIS DISCUSSION BEFORE. IT'S ALMOST A 2-1/2
19 MILLION DOLLAR SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT. FINALLY THEY FURNISHED US
20 WITH A DEPARTMENT BREAKDOWN. THE QUESTION I HAVE ON THE
21 \$400,000 PIECE GOING COUNTYWIDE, WHAT'S THAT GOING TO BE USED
22 FOR? WHY DIDN'T WE DO AN R.F.P.? WHY DIDN'T WE LOOK AT HAVING
23 OUR OWN DEPARTMENTS COUNT PRINTERS?

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1 **RICHARD SANCHEZ:** RICHARD SANCHEZ, CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER,
2 THE \$400,000 IS ESSENTIALLY FOR THE INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL THAT
3 WE ARE GOING TO BE USING THIS FIRM WITH. AND BASICALLY THEY'RE
4 GOING TO PROVIDE US A SERIES OF TEMPLATES THAT WILL BE
5 DISTRIBUTED TO ALL OF THE VARIOUS COUNTY AGENCIES THAT WE'RE
6 GOING TO BE WORKING WITH.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** TEMPLATES FOR WHAT?

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10 **RICHARD SANCHEZ:** THESE TEMPLATES WILL BE USED FOR
11 COMMUNICATING WITH THE DEPARTMENT, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT,
12 TALKING ABOUT THE PROGRAM, WHAT ITS INTENT IS, WHAT ITS
13 INITIATIVES ARE GOING TO BE, WHAT IS PLANNED TO BE
14 ACCOMPLISHED AS WELL AS THE IMPLEMENTATION SERVICE THAT IS
15 GOING TO BE PROVIDED BY ALL OF THESE AGENCIES. THERE'S ALSO
16 GOING TO BE SOME TEMPLATES TO BE USED FOR DOING INVENTORIES BY
17 THE VARIOUS COUNTY AGENCIES. THE 34 PLUS AGENCIES WE'LL BE
18 USING TO IDENTIFY WHAT ARE THEIR EQUIPMENT, WHAT ARE THEIR
19 NEEDS, WHAT WOULD THEY NEED IN TERMS OF ONGOING SERVICE, PRINT
20 SERVICES FOR THE FUTURE. SO BASICALLY THE 405 IS THE CAPITAL
21 ASSETS OR THE, I'M SORRY, THE INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL THAT THIS
22 FIRM IS BRINGING. THIS FIRM, THE PRINT OPERATIONS GROUP, WAS
23 ORIGINALLY OBTAINED THROUGH A SOLICITATION. THIS WAS A FIRM
24 THAT DEALS WITH MANAGED PRINT SERVICES. AND IT'S SOMETHING
25 THAT IS SOMEWHAT UNIQUE IN THE FIELD. THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 COMPANIES THAT DO MANAGED PRINT SERVICES. BUT THIS IS A FIRM
2 THAT ACTUALLY MANAGES AND MONITORS THE ACTIVITIES THAT'S GOING
3 ON IN THE VARIOUS AGENCIES. SO THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT'S
4 GOING DO SOME OVERSIGHT OF WHAT'S GOING TO BE OCCURRING AND
5 DEVELOPING SOME SPECIFICATIONS FOR ACTUAL IMPLEMENTATIONS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE MATTER IS BEFORE
8 US. SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES IT, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
9 SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD THAT --

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSTAIN.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE WISHES TO
14 ABSTAIN AND THE BALANCE OF THE BOARD MOVES THE MATTER FORWARD.
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS, I ALSO WANT TO ADJOURN IN
18 MEMORY OF DEREK SCHOENI, AND THAT WAS THE SON OF DICK SCHOENI,
19 WHO WAS THE ASSISTANT TO FORMER EXECUTIVE OFFICER JIM MIZE WHO
20 HAD BEEN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR MANY YEARS FOR THE COUNTY
21 OF LOS ANGELES. AND HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 26. HE WAS A
22 PROMISING NEW TALENT IN THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. AND,
23 AGAIN, HIS FATHER WAS VERY GOOD MAN HERE WHEN HE WORKED WITH
24 JIM AND THE BOARD. MARY ALICE FRANK, RESIDENT OF PASADENA,
25 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF LAWRY'S



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1 RESTAURANT PRESIDENT RICHARD FRANK, WHO ESTABLISHED AN
2 INTERIOR DESIGN FIRM AND SERVED ON THE PASADENA DESIGN
3 COMMISSION. LORRAINE FOULKS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE
4 SERVED IN THE WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS DURING WORLD WAR II AND LATER
5 BECAME A FLIGHT ASSISTANT. SHE WAS QUITE ACTIVE AND SHE WAS
6 FLYING ON EXECUTIVE FLIGHTS UNTIL THE END. SHE WAS QUITE
7 ACTIVE IN THE REPUBLICAN ACTIVITIES IN THE GRIFFITH PARK AREA,
8 SHE AND HER MOTHER. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY AND SERVED HER
9 COMMUNITY AND SERVED HER CHURCH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER NIECE.
10 MICHAEL DERDERIAN PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. HE SERVED IN
11 THE UNITED STATES NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II AND WORKED FOR THE
12 ZINKIE SHOE STORE AS A SALES CLERK. AND THEN CONTINUING
13 THROUGH HARD WORK HE WAS THE FOUNDER OF ONE OF THE LARGEST
14 CARPET MANUFACTURERS IN THE UNITED STATES, ROYALTY CARPET
15 MILLS, WHICH IS A CARPET THAT'S USED IN MANY OF OUR MAJOR
16 HOTEL COMMERCIAL CENTERS AND IN OUR HOMES. HE IS SURVIVED BY
17 HIS THREE DAUGHTERS AND THREE SISTERS AND HIS TWO BROTHERS.
18 JOSEPH WYATT, RESIDENT OF PASADENA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
19 89. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, A GRADUATE FROM
20 HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, AND HE PRACTICED LAW FOR MORE THAN 50
21 YEARS, BEING SENIOR COUNSEL TO MORRISON AND FOERSTER. HE WAS A
22 MEMBER OF THE PACIFIC OAKS BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE CALIFORNIA
23 STATE PERSONNEL COMMISSION AND THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
24 RETIREMENT SYSTEM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARGE, WHO HAS
25 SERVED FOR MANY YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN



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1 PASADENA. JOE AND MARGE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN INVOLVED IN THE
2 COMMUNITY AND SUPPORTING ALL OF THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY
3 ORGANIZATIONS. AND HE WAS INVOLVED UNTIL THE END. HE PASSED
4 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89. ROBIN JOJI YOSHINAGA PASSED AWAY AT THE
5 AGE OF 52. HE WAS THE SON OF GEORGE AND SUSIE AND HIS
6 BROTHERS, PAUL, MARK AND TIM. LEWIS ELSWORTH FRICKE, SR. FROM
7 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, WORLD WAR II NAVY VETERAN. WORKED FOR
8 HONEYWELL LOCKHEED AND OWNED A HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING
9 BUSINESS FOR THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR THE PAST 44 YEARS.
10 ANTHONY HERNANDEZ OF ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
11 89. HE HAS A COMBINED 54 GRAND AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. DOCTOR
12 MICHAEL LOOPER, IS A RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY PASSED AWAY
13 AT THE AGE OF 82. HE HAD BEEN THE CHAPTER DIRECTOR OF THE
14 CALIFORNIA CHIROPRACTIC ASSOCIATION AND ACTIVE IN KIWANIS AND
15 ALSO LIONS. LARRY LOUGHMILLER, RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA
16 VALLEY, RETIRED LIEUTENANT COLONEL FOR THE UNITED STATES AIR
17 FORCE AND WORKED FOR LOCKHEED MARTIN FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS.
18 BARBARA NIELSON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. BARBARA WAS TOM
19 SILVER'S SECRETARY, MY FORMER CHIEF OF STAFF, WHO ALSO PASSED
20 AWAY WITH BRAIN CANCER MANY YEARS AGO. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE
21 AGE OF 84 AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SON, JOHN. ROBERT JOHN
22 PENDER, BUSINESSMAN IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, SERVED IN THE UNITED
23 STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II. EDMUND JOSEPH PIELECH, SR.,
24 ARMY AIR CORPS VETERAN WORLD WAR II, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
25 92. HE WORKED FOR -- AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE AND WAS ACTIVE



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1 IN THE DISABLED VETERANS AND AMERICAN LEGION. JOHN VALLEY,
2 RETIRED DEPUTY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS
3 LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS OUR COURT SERVICES. NANCY TURNER, LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND SHE WAS AT THE
5 DEPARTMENT'S SOUTH LOS ANGELES STATION. AND ANDREW ALUSHA
6 PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 13, DEPUTY WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE INMATE RECEPTION
8 CENTER. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE
13 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN AND LA PUENTE
14 RESIDENT, RICHARD D. KELLY. RICHARD WAS A BASSIST FOR THE L.A.
15 PHILHARMONIC FOR NEARLY SIX DECADES AND HE RETIRED LAST
16 OCTOBER. HE PLAYED UNDER SIX DIRECTORS, INCLUDING CURRENT
17 DIRECTOR, GUSTAVO DUDAMEL. RICHARD WAS FROM A FAMILY OF
18 MUSICIANS, INCLUDING HIS FATHER, WHO WAS ALSO A RENOWNED
19 BASSIST FOR THE PHILHARMONIC. WE WANT TO SEND OUR THOUGHTS AND
20 PRAYERS TO RICHARD'S FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND HIS COLLEAGUES AS
21 WELL. I'D ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME
22 HIGHLAND PARK RESIDENT LUIS ENRIQUE CARILLO, LOVINGLY KNOWN AS
23 "HENRY." HE EMIGRATED FROM MEXICO TO THE UNITED STATES AS A
24 CHILD, GRADUATED FROM FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL AND WAS A PROUD
25 U.S. MARINE CORPS VETERAN. I'M HONORED TO PAY TRIBUTE TODAY TO



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1 HIS PATRIOTISM AND HIS COURAGEOUS MILITARY SERVICE. ON BEHALF
2 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, PLEASE JOIN ME IN EXTENDING OUR
3 HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. THANK YOU VERY
6 MUCH, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ONE LAST THING. I
9 BELIEVE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN URGENCY FINDING? IF YOU
10 COULD READ THAT IN AND WE COULD GET THAT TAKEN CARE OF FOR THE
11 CLOSED SESSION?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THE BOARD MAKE THE FOLLOWING
14 FINDING, THERE'S A NEED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION FOR ACTION IN
15 THE RULE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE A AGENDA. COUNTY
16 COUNSEL?

17

18 **JOHN KRATTLI:** THAT IS AN URGENCY FINDING YOUR BOARD I BELIEVE
19 IS MAKING SO THAT WE CAN ADD AN ITEM TO THE AGENDA FOR A
20 CLOSED SESSION ITEM TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL INITIATION OF
21 LITIGATION.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO NEXT WEEK, GIVE US THE STATUS ON THE
2 NEGOTIATIONS OF THE REWARD THAT WAS OFFERED BY THE COUNTY FOR
3 THE DONER CAPTURE?

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5 **JOHN KRATTLI:** BE GLAD TO.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NOTED. I THINK WE'RE AT THE
8 POINT OF PUBLIC COMMENT, ARE WE NOT?

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** I JUST NEEDED A VOTE ON THAT LAST

11 --

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S BEEN PROPERLY MOVED.
14 SECONDED. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. AND THEN PUBLIC
17 COMMENT.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL PERSONS WISHING
20 TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC COMMENT. QUITE A NUMBER AT THIS
21 POINT. ARNOLD SACHS. SAM GELFF. GARY FARWELL. AND IF YOU WOULD
22 PLEASE COME FORWARD, THE BOARD WOULD BE APPRECIATIVE. AS I
23 CALL YOUR NAMES, PLEASE COME FORWARD. ERIC PREVEN, VALARIE
24 TRAVIS, SUSAN BURTON, SHONTE D., ROSA B., BRIDGET GORDON.
25 JOVITA L. MONICA C. MARTHA S. CHERYL GRILLS. LADIES AND



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1 GENTLEMEN AS YOUR NAMES ARE BEING CALLED, IF YOU WOULD COME
2 FORWARD. THIS IS YOUR TIME TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC
3 COMMENT. WE REQUEST THAT YOU DO IT WITH DISPATCH AS THE BOARD
4 HAS SEVERAL ITEMS TO ATTEND TO OTHERWISE. RACHAEL PENA.
5 MICHAEL CARREON. TERRY SIGMUND. DENISE PAZ. CARLTON VEREEN.
6 MARIA LIERA. JOHN WALSH. IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. MR. SACHS,
7 PROCEED. ONE MINUTE.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ONE MINUTE? YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON,
10 ARNOLD SACHS. PREVIOUSLY AT SOME OF THESE BOARD MEETINGS YOU
11 MIGHT HAVE HEARD THAT MY MENTIONING SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE
12 M.T.A. AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE'S A DISCONNECT BETWEEN
13 SOME OF THE ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD AT THE M.T.A. TAKES AND THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SOME OF THE ACTIONS THEY TAKE. IT'S
15 ALMOST AS IF INFORMATION GOES IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER. IT
16 HAPPENS QUITE FREQUENTLY. SO AS A PUBLIC SERVICE, I'D LIKE TO
17 PROPOSE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ELIMINATE OR TRY TO ELIMINATE SOME
18 OF THAT PROBLEM SO THAT INFORMATION CAN STAY GROUNDED. BECAUSE
19 IT SEEMS LIKE WHEN YOU MOVE TO THE M.T.A., IT'S A DIFFERENT
20 SET OF LEADERSHIP. SO MY SUGGESTION IS -- AND IF YOU FEEL THIS
21 WAY, TO PUT A CORK IN IT. SEND A CORK TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS TO HELP THEM PLUG THE INFORMATION FROM LEAKING OUT
23 THE EAR. IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER. WE NEED TO STOP THAT.
24 THERE'S TOO MUCH MONEY AT STAKE. JUST A COUPLE DAYS AGO THERE
25 WAS A MEET AND GREET FOR THE REGIONAL CONNECTOR, WHICH IS A



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1 METRO PROJECT THAT IS TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM THE DOWNTOWN
2 CONNECTOR. AS A MATTER OF FACT, A REGIONAL CONNECTOR,
3 ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION, WAS ENVIRONMENTALLY CLEARED IN
4 2004, BUT WHERE'S THE FUNDING COMING FROM? SO WE HAVE A
5 REGIONAL CONNECTOR, WE HAVE A DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR. WE HAD AN
6 LA-TO-PASADENA METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. WE HAD
7 A GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. THERE NEEDS TO BE A SINGLE
8 LINE OF INFORMATION --

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS.

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12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IF YOU AGREE, SEND A CORK TO YOUR SUPERVISOR.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM?

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16 **RACHAEL PENA:** OKAY. GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
17 RACHAEL PENA. AND I AM AN L.A. COUNTY I.H.S.S. PROVIDER AND
18 PROUD MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.W. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO CHECK
19 IN ON THE PROGRESS OF PROVIDING LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOMECARE
20 WORKERS WITH A FULL LIVING WAGE 9.65 THAT WAS UNANIMOUSLY
21 AGREED TO BY THIS BOARD LAST SUMMER. OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS,
22 WE HAVE COME BY YOUR OFFICE TO MEET WITH YOU OR YOUR STAFF TO
23 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE AND TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION
24 ON THE AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE STATE THAT ENSURES THAT THE
25 STATE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE IN-HOME CARE WORKERS WITH WAGES



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1 UP TO 11.50 AN HOUR. DURING A RECENT BOARD MEETING, YOU HAD
2 INDICATED THAT YOU WEREN'T AWARE OF THE AGREEMENT. SO WE
3 DELIVERED TO YOUR OFFICES COPIES OF THE SIGNED DOCUMENTS THAT
4 WERE FILED WITH THE COURTS. ALTHOUGH SEVERAL OTHER COUNTIES
5 THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA PAY THEIR HOME CARE WORKERS MORE THAN
6 \$9.50 AN HOUR AND HAVE NOT HAD ANY PROBLEM WITH THE STATE
7 FULFILLING ITS OBLIGATION TO THOSE WAGES PRIOR TO THE
8 AGREEMENT THAT'S BEEN REACHED, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THAT HAD
9 BEEN THE ONLY OUTSTANDING ISSUE PREVENTING US FROM RECEIVING
10 OUR LIVING WAGE. WITH THE AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE STATE
11 RESOLVING YOUR CONCERN AND YOU HAVING COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS
12 PROVING THAT, WE WANTED TO COME BY TO CHECK IN WITH YOU AND
13 SEE WHERE YOU ARE ON FULFILLING YOUR COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE
14 HOME CARE WORKERS WITH THE COUNTY'S LIVING WAGE OF \$9.65. DO
15 YOU HAVE AN UPDATE ON WHEN WE CAN EXPECT TO RECEIVE OUR FULL
16 LIVING WAGE? THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
19 TESTIMONY. AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR QUESTION. ALL RIGHT. LET'S
20 PROCEED. MA'AM?

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22 **BRIDGET GORDON:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT WE
23 SPEAK ALL TOGETHER AS A GROUP? WE'RE FROM THE MATERNAL AND
24 CHILD CLINIC OF L.A.C. AND U.S.C.



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE PROCEED.

2

3 **BRIDGET GORDON:** OKAY, THANK YOU. WE HAVE LOST A COUPLE OF
4 MEMBERS AT THE END OF THE DAY, SO IF YOU DON'T MIND, I WOULD
5 LIKE TO TAKE ONE OF THOSE MEMBERS' SPOTS. MY NAME IS BRIDGET
6 GORDON. THIS IS MY DAUGHTER, NINA. AND I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF
7 OF THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS LIVING IN LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY WHO ARE EITHER INFECTED OR AFFECTED BY HIV AND
9 AIDS AND WHO RECEIVE THE COMPREHENSIVE CARE THAT IS PROVIDED
10 AT L.A.C. AND U.S.C. M.C.A. CLINICS. WE HAVE AN URGENT ISSUE
11 HERE. LATE IN MARCH, MARCH 24, THE M.C.A. WAS NOTIFIED BY LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY AND U.S.C. THAT U.S.C. IS SELLING THE BUILDING
13 WHERE M.C.A.'S HOUSED. AND THAT THE LEASE IN JUNE, JUNE 30,
14 2013, WILL NOT BE RENEWED. WE RECENTLY FOUND OUT THAT THE
15 BUILDING HAS NOT BEEN SOLD NOR IS IT ON THE MARKET. THE M.C.A.
16 IS THE ONLY TENANT IN THE BUILDING THAT HAS BEEN ASKED TO MOVE
17 AND THERE ARE NO PENDING TENANTS TO TAKE THE SPACE. OTHER
18 TENANTS HAVE HAD TWO-YEAR LEASES RESIGNED. THE M.C.A. IS MORE
19 THAN ABLE TO COVER THE COST OF THE FACILITY WITH OVER \$900,000
20 ANNUALLY FROM RESEARCH FUNDS TO STAY IN THAT SPACE. HOWEVER IT
21 APPEARS THAT L.A.C. -- M.C.A. IS BEING STRONG-ARMED BY THE
22 UNIVERSITY AND ITS LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN ASKED NOT TO SHARE ANY
23 INFORMATION WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS THAT ATTENDED THE M.C.A.
24 CLINIC. AND I'M GOING TO GO AHEAD AND START MY PIECE. AGAIN MY
25 NAME IS BRIDGET GORDON. THE RELOCATION TO AN INADEQUATE SPACE,



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1 WHICH IS THE CURRENT RAND SCHRADER BUILDING WITH VIRTUALLY NO
2 PLANNING WILL HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON THE CLINICAL, EDUCATIONAL
3 AND RESEARCH SUCCESS OF THE M.C.A. CENTER. AND IT IS IMPORTANT
4 TO NOTE THAT THE IMPACT ON THE PATIENT POPULATION IS CRITICAL.
5 THIS IS A VERY PRIVATE POPULATION, MANY OF WHICH HAVE NOT
6 SHARED THEIR H.I.V. POSITIVE STATUS WITH THEIR FAMILIES,
7 INCLUDING THE PEOPLE THEY LIVE WITH. THIS PROPOSED MOVE TO
8 RAND SCHRADER IS CONSIDERED BY THE LATIN COMMUNITY THE
9 FLAGSHIP OF THE AIDS CLINICS, WHICH WOULD IMMEDIATELY BREAK
10 CONFIDENTIALITY THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE M.C.A. CLINIC HAVE
11 BEEN PROMISED. THIS IS ALREADY A MARGINALIZED, SHAMED GROUP
12 THAT ENDURES ENORMOUS SOCIAL DISGRACE. WHAT WE ARE ASKING IS
13 THAT THE SUPERVISORS TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO ASSURE THAT THE
14 M.C.A. CLINIC HAS 12 MONTHS TO FIND AND RELOCATE TO A
15 COMPARABLE SPACE AND TO INQUIRE WHY THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
16 CALIFORNIA IS FOCUSING ON THE M.C.A. CLINIC TO MOVE BY JUNE
17 30, 2013, WHICH IS IN LESS THAN TWO MONTHS. THIS MOVE, THIS
18 FORCED MOVE WILL SEPARATE THE CLINIC'S -- THE CLINIC FROM ITS
19 RESEARCH ARM, AND IT WILL ALSO CAUSE THE CLINIC TO LOSE OVER
20 \$4 MILLION IN GRANTS. I AM A MEMBER OF THE CLINIC. THE CLINIC
21 HAS A 100 PERCENT RATE OF BIRTHING BABIES FROM H.I.V. POSITIVE
22 MOTHERS WITHOUT H.I.V. AND THIS IS PROOF RIGHT HERE. MANY OF
23 THESE WOMEN BELIEVE THAT THEIR LIFE IS OVER WHEN THEY GET THIS
24 DIAGNOSIS. BUT IT'S NOT. THE M.C.A. CLINIC IS THE ONE CLINIC
25 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IN CALIFORNIA, POSSIBLY IN THE UNITED



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1 STATES, THAT ALLOWS FOR FOR MULTI-DISCIPLINARY SERVICES TO
2 WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES WITH CONFIDENTIALITY.
3 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
6 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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8 **JOVITA L:** (SPANISH).

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10 **JOVITA L (THROUGH INTERPRETER):** SHE SAYS HER NAME IS JOVITA DE
11 LEON AND SHE IS SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE PATIENTS OF
12 THE M.C.A. CLINIC. SHE BELONGS TO DISTRICT 2. SHE SAYS THAT
13 HER STORY IS THAT THE M.C.A. FACILITY CLINIC HAS GIVEN HER
14 LOTS OF SUPPORT WITHIN HER MEDICAL CARE. SHE SAYS NUMBER 1
15 BEING SOCIAL WORKERS WHO HAVE HELPED HER WITH ANY KIND OF
16 PROBLEM THAT SHE HAS HAD. MENTAL HEALTH IS ALSO THERE
17 AVAILABLE FOR HER. AS WELL AS RESEARCH WHO HAS HELPED HER AND
18 OTHERS WITH BETTER HEALTH. BETTER HEALTH WITH NEW MEDICATIONS
19 AVAILABLE. SHE'D LIKE TO ASK THE SUPERVISORS IF THEY COULD
20 PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THEM WITH THE FACT OF NOT MOVING THE
21 CLINIC OR ALLOWING THEM TO BE TOGETHER WITH RESEARCH, WITH
22 SOCIAL SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH, THE WHOLE PROGRAM IN ONE SHE
23 ASKS THAT OF THE SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
2 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MARIA LIERA:** (SPANISH).

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6 **MARIA LIERA (THROUGH INTERPRETER):** SHE SAYS GOOD AFTERNOON, MY
7 NAME IS MARIA LIERA, AND SHE IS COMING FROM MISS GLORIA
8 MOLINA'S DISTRICT 1. LIKE TO TALK TO YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT MY
9 EXPERIENCE AS A PATIENT IN THE MATERNAL CHILD CLINIC. I HAVE
10 BEEN LIVING MORE THAN 17 YEARS WITH HIV. MATERNAL CHILD CLINIC
11 IS ONE OF THE ONLY CLINICS IN OUR AREA THAT ATTENDS CHILDREN
12 AND MOTHERS. SHE'D LIKE TO ASK IF THEY CAN HELP KEEP THE
13 CLINIC TOGETHER SO THAT THEY DON'T LOSE ANY OF THEIR FUNDING
14 IN ANY OF THE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE WITHIN THE MATERNAL CHILD
15 CLINIC. SHE SAYS THE MATERNAL CHILD CLINIC HOLDS THEIR
16 CONFIDENTIALITY, AND UNFORTUNATELY STILL TO THIS DAY IN OUR
17 COMMUNITY, A LOT OF PEOPLE AREN'T AWARE OF THE HIV DISEASE.
18 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE MATERNAL CHILD CLINIC PLEASE STAY
19 AVAILABLE TO US BECAUSE IT'S ALREADY HAS EXPERIENCE WITH
20 CONFIDENTIALITY AND THAT SHE WOULD LIKE FOR IT TO STAY OPEN.
21 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ME IF YOU COULD SUPPORT US BECAUSE WE ARE
22 WORKING PEOPLE. AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE DESERVE THE RIGHT TO
23 CONTINUE OUR CONFIDENTIALITY AND TO CONTINUE AT THE MATERNAL
24 CHILD CLINIC. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. AND SHE
25 HOPES YOU ANALYZE WHAT YOU HEAR SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO



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1 HAVE THE MATERNAL CHILD CLINIC AVAILABLE TO THEM. THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE
5 TESTIMONY. MA'AM?

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7 **ROSA B.:** HELLO, MY NAME IS ROSA AND I LIVE IN THE FIFTH
8 DISTRICT. MY SUPERVISOR IS MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. I'M SPEAKING ON
9 BEHALF OF ALL WOMEN, INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS LIVING
10 IN EVERY DISTRICT IN L.A. COUNTY WHO ARE AFFECTED AND INFECTED
11 BY HIV. MY HEALTH CARE IS PROVIDED BY THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY
12 L.A.C.+U.S.C. M.C.A. CLINIC. I AM HERE TO ASK FOR IMMEDIATE
13 INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT FROM ALL THE DISTRICT SUPERVISORS. I
14 KNOW WHAT IT IS LIKE TO BE DISCRIMINATED AND STIGMATIZED. WHEN
15 I DISCLOSED TO MY FAMILY, SOME WERE AFRAID TO BE IN THE SAME
16 ROOM, DRINK FROM THE SAME CUP, USE THE SAME RESTROOM AND TOUCH
17 ME IN ANY WAY. I WAS TREATED LIKE A LEPER. SOME PRETENDED TO
18 BE FINE YET SHOWED THEIR ANGER WHEN THESE THINGS HAPPEN. I
19 STAY AWAY BECAUSE THEY TRANSFER THEIR SHAME AND VIOLENCE ONTO
20 ME. THEIR EDUCATION NEVER SHIELDED ME FROM THEIR SHAME-FACED
21 BEHAVIOR. THIS STIGMA IS REAL AND YOU CAN ONLY REALIZE THE
22 PAIN WHEN IT IS YOU RECEIVING IT. THIS IS WHY MANY WOMEN HAVE
23 OPTED OUT TO SPEAK TODAY. THIS IS WHY CONFIDENTIALITY IS OF
24 UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO EVERY PATIENT AT THE CLINIC. MOST OF THE
25 CHILDREN AND MANY ADULTS ATTENDING ARE NOT AWARE IT IS AN HIV



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1 CLINIC; ONLY THAT IT IS A FAMILY CLINIC. M.C.A. IS THE LARGEST
2 AND ONLY HIV FAMILY CLINIC SERVING UNDERSERVED HIV POSITIVE
3 WOMEN, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. THIS CULTURALLY SENSITIVE CLINIC
4 UNDERSTANDS THAT FAMILIES WITH HORRENDOUSLY STIGMATIZED
5 DISEASE HAVE ALREADY SUFFERED ENOUGH DISCRIMINATION. WITHOUT
6 AN ADEQUATE SELF-CONTAINED SPACE, THIS CLINIC WILL FAIL TO
7 MEET ITS GOALS OF SUCCESSFUL, COMPREHENSIVE CARE FOR HIV
8 POSITIVE PATIENTS. THIS FORCED MOVE WILL VIRTUALLY DISMANTLE
9 THE SERVICES, RESEARCH CARE PARTNERS AND CONFIDENTIALITY THE
10 M.C.A. CLINIC PROVIDES TO HIV INFECTED AND AFFECTED POPULATION
11 WHO LIVE THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY AND DEPEND ON M.C.A. FOR CARE.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
14 TESTIMONY.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FINDING APPROPRIATE SPACE.

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18 **ROSA B.:** WE'RE ASKING FOR 12 MONTHS, NOT JUST TWO MONTHS TO
19 LEAVE. SO THAT WE CAN FIND AN APPROPRIATE PLACE THAT'S
20 COMPARABLE FOR OUR FACILITY.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

23

24 **ROSA B.:** THEY GAVE US NOTICE ON MARCH 25TH THAT WE HAVE TO
25 MOVE BY JUNE 30TH. HOW CAN YOU MOVE A COMPREHENSIVE CLINIC IN



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1 TWO MONTHS? IT'S NOT POSSIBLE. SO WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU TO
2 INTERVENE AND TALK TO THE UNIVERSITY TO LET US STAY THERE FOR
3 12 MONTHS. AND WE CAN TAKE OUR CLINIC ELSEWHERE. WE HAVE THE
4 FUNDS. WE HAVE \$900,000 THAT WE GIVE THEM ANNUALLY. WE'RE NOT
5 HERE TO ASK YOU FOR MONEY. WE'RE HERE TO SAY: HELP US STAY
6 THERE FOR 12 MONTHS SO WE CAN FIND AN APPROPRIATE FACILITY FOR
7 OUR CLINIC. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,
10 INDEED.

11

12 **ROSA B.:** THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** INDEED. SIR, RIGHT HERE.

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16 **MICHAEL CARREON:** YES, MICHAEL CARREON.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MICHAEL CARREON.

19

20 **MICHAEL CARREON:** MR. ANTONOVICH MENTIONED THAT I WAS OUT FOR
21 NINE MONTHS WHAT HE FORGOT TO TELL YOU WAS THAT I WAS OUT
22 BECAUSE I GOT INJURED AT WORK. BECAUSE FOR 12 MONTHS I ASKED
23 FOR LIGHTS TO BE REPAIRED, VERBALLY, IN WRITING, PERSONALLY,
24 AND EMAILED. AND LIGHTS WERE NOT AT THE WARM SPRINGS FACILITY
25 BEFORE WE MOVED. BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T WANT TO SPEND THE MONEY,



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1 THEY DIDN'T FIX LIGHTS. REMEMBER ONE THING. WE WERE IN THE
2 MIDDLE OF THE MOUNTAINS. 15 MILES FROM NOWHERE. LIGHTING IS
3 ESSENTIAL THERE FOR A FACILITY THAT WAS OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY. I
4 WORKED THE NIGHT SHIFT. OVER 12 LIGHTS WERE OUT. THAT'S WHY I
5 GOT HURT. BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T FIXED IN A TIMELY FASHION.
6 MONTHS AND MONTHS WENT BY THEY WOULDN'T FIX THE LIGHTS. I'M
7 NOT HERE TO PICK ON YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH. WHAT I'M HERE TO LET
8 YOU KNOW IS THERE'S PROBLEMS AT THE ACTON FACILITY, THAT'S
9 ALL.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **MICHAEL CARREON:** WE HAVE A P.E. TEACHER THAT'S GOING TO BE THE
14 ACTON ADMINISTRATOR. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE THAT OUT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** (SPANISH).

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

19

20 **MICHAEL CARREON:** AND HOW THAT PERSON WITH THE BACHELOR'S
21 DEGREE IS GOING TO BE DOING A P.E. FOR A PERSON WITH A
22 MASTER'S DEGREE, IT KIND OF BAFFLES US. HOW SOMEBODY WITH A
23 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IS GOING TO BE ADMINISTRATING THE WHOLE
24 FACILITY AND THE OUTPATIENT. THESE THINGS CONTINUE TO HAPPEN.
25 AS A MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. 721 I ALWAYS ASK THIS. HOW COULD THIS



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1 HAPPEN? WE'RE TOLD THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE DOING ANY IN-HOUSE
2 HIRING OR PROMOTION. IT'S GOING TO BE DOING LEGITIMATELY. YOU
3 GOT TO GET ON, YOU GOT TO PUT IN YOUR APPLICATION. AND EVERY
4 DAY HAPPENS. IT'S GENDER BIAS. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. WE TRY TO
5 COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR OFFICE AND THEM AND NOTHING SEEMS TO
6 WORK. SO IT'S NOTHING PERSONAL. I JUST HAVE TO BRING THIS ON
7 IN THE WAY I SEE THINGS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FOR THE RECORD, YOU HAVE THE CELL PHONE
10 NUMBER OF THE DIRECTOR. YOU HAVE THE CELL PHONE NUMBER OF THE
11 DIRECTOR OF ALCOHOL, AS WELL. AND YOU HAVE THE CELL PHONE
12 NUMBER OF MY DEPUTY. THEY HAVE BEEN THERE. THEY ARE -- YOU CAN
13 CALL THEM. YOU HAVE BEEN OUT NOT WORKING FOR THE PAST NINE
14 MONTHS.

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16 **MICHAEL CARREON:** NO, NO, NO, I'VE BEEN BACK FOR SIX. I WAS OUT
17 NINE MONTHS PRIOR TO THAT.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
20 FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

21

22 **MICHAEL CARREON:** JUST TO BE CORRECT, OKAY? I'VE BEEN BACK
23 SINCE OCTOBER.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, MR. WALSH IS THE LAST
2 SPEAKER TO BE HEARD TODAY. EVERYONE ELSE THAT I'VE CALLED FOR
3 -- WELL YOU SHOULD BE HERE READY TO TESTIFY IF I'VE CALLED
4 YOUR NAME. OTHERWISE, MR. WALSH WILL BE THE LAST SPEAKER. SIR?

5

6 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG AND
7 IF YOU WANT TO GO TO J. WALSH BLOG AT J. WALSH CONFIDENTIAL,
8 JUST GO LIKE THIS AND WAIT AND IT WILL GO. YOU'LL HAVE MORE
9 ABILITY TO DO IT. I'M DOING IT UPSIDE DOWN. THERE YOU GO TO J.
10 WALSH CONFIDENTIAL. FIRST OF ALL, I PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT'S
11 HAPPENING. THIS M.C.A., YOU MUST KEEP THIS CLINIC, THIS M.C.A.
12 CLINIC. MY ISSUE HERE IS SIMPLE, D.C.F.S. I WAS A TEACHER FOR
13 A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AT L.A.U.S.D., I DEALT WITH MANY, MANY,
14 MANY PARENTS WHO WERE FOSTER PARENTS. THAT'S WHY I'M PUTTING
15 IN A REQUEST FOR PUBLIC RECORDS ON THE RECORD OF A PERSON WHO
16 HAD SEVEN CHILDREN -- SEVEN CHILDREN OUT OF YOUR ORGANIZATION,
17 KEPT THROWING THEM BACK. I'VE TALKED TO MANY AFRICAN-AMERICAN
18 WOMEN WHO WORKED FOR THEM AT SALBAN WHO SPENT THEIR ENTIRE
19 LIVES AS FOSTER PARENTS AND HAD TWO OR THREE. AND WHO IS THIS
20 PERSON? THIS MAN IS ERIC GARCETTI WHO USED THESE CHILDREN,
21 THREW THEM AWAY LIKE KLEENEX, SEVEN CHILDREN. WE HAVE NO IDEA,
22 INCLUDING TWO, I WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY RELATIVES COMPLAINED
23 ABOUT THE TREATMENT THAT THESE CHILDREN, THESE FOSTER CHILDREN
24 WERE GIVEN, SEVEN CHILDREN? THAT'S ABOUT 1 A YEAR? I DON'T
25 KNOW WHAT HAPPENED HERE. WE WANT THE INFORMATION. GO TO MY



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1 WEBSITE AND YOU WILL SEE ERIC AND AMY'S 7 FOSTER CHILDREN,
2 WHERE ARE THEY NOW AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES WERE EACH OF
3 THESE CHILDREN TURNED TO COUNTY D.C.F.S.? THIS HAS NEVER
4 HAPPENED. SHOW ME ANYBODY WHO HAD SEVEN CHILDREN RETURNED.
5 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MISS PAZ.

8

9 **DENISE PAZ:** OH, HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD. I'M
10 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MR. VEREEN AND MRS. HARRIS. IT'S MY
11 UNDERSTANDING ACCORDING TO L.A. TIMES THAT D.C.F.S. CONTINUES
12 TO ADOPT CHILDREN. THIS FRAUDULENT HORRIBLE DEPARTMENT NEEDS
13 TO BE SHUT DOWN FOR THESE REASONS. CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH TO
14 CHILDREN, FALSIFYING REPORTS, WRONGFULLY PUTTING CHILDREN UP
15 FOR ADOPTION, CHILD KIDNAPPING RING. D.C.F.S. FAILED AGAIN.
16 THE COUPLE IN THE AUDIENCE HERE TODAY GOT THEIR CHILDREN
17 WRONGFULLY ADOPTED. LET ME BE CLEAR. YOUR CORRUPTION
18 DEPARTMENT ADOPTED THESE BABIES BASED ON GARBAGE ALLEGATIONS.
19 ALTHOUGH THE COURT OF APPEALS REVERSED IT BACK TO CHILDREN'S
20 COURT, D.C.F.S. KEPT IT HUSH HUSH FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY. NOW,
21 THESE TWO PRECIOUS LITTLE GIRLS ARE LOST IN THE SYSTEM WITH
22 NEW NAMES. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HOW WOULD WE EVER KNOW OF
23 THEIR NAMES ARE NOT IN THE BLIND LEADING BLIND ARTICLE OF "LOS
24 ANGELES TIMES?" PLEASE FREE THESE CHILDREN FROM THESE DEMONS
25 LURKING INSIDE OF THIS DEBAUCHED ORGANIZATION. PLEASE



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1 INVESTIGATE THIS MATTER. THIS IS FRAUD ADOPTION. BEFORE ANY
2 PARENT IS DRIVEN TO THE BRINK OF INSANITY AND PSYCHOTIC
3 BREAKDOWN, PLEASE DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. PLEASE.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MS. PAZ. MA'AM? LAST
6 SPEAKER.

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8 **TERRY SIGMUND:** THE D.C.F.S. IS TRYING TO BREAK THE BOND
9 BETWEEN MY FAMILY AND ME. ALL OF THE COURTS HAVE GIVEN ME MY
10 CHILDREN BACK, THEY APPEALED IT AND RIGHT NOW ALTHOUGH I HAVE
11 COURT ORDERED VISITATION, THEY HAVE COMPLETELY BROKEN THE
12 VISITATION TO SAY THEY HAVE STAFFING ISSUES AND NOW SAY I'M
13 DANGEROUS. ALSO THEY DON'T STOP AT ANYTHING. THEY EVEN GO
14 LITERALLY OVER DEAD BODIES. NOW THEY ARE EVEN TRYING TO
15 SEPARATE THE BROTHERS. MY SON WHO IS 15 IS NOW NOT ABLE TO SEE
16 HIS BROTHERS BECAUSE THEY PETITIONED TO THE COURT. THE COURT
17 HASN'T RULED ON THAT YET, BUT PETITIONED TO THE COURT THAT A
18 15-YEAR-OLD CHILD SHOULDN'T SEE HIS BROTHERS, 8 AND 4. THESE
19 KIDS ARE SO BONDED AND, FRANKLY, THE ONLY REASON WHY I HAD
20 MORE CHILDREN IS BECAUSE THAT FIRST ONE WANTED BROTHERS SO
21 BADLY AND NOW MY SON WHO IS 15 HAS SPONTANEOUS NOSE BLEEDS AND
22 OTHER STRESS-RELATED SYMPTOMS BECAUSE HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND
23 THAT HE CAN'T SEE HIS BROTHERS. AS HE HAD TOLD TO YOUR
24 LIAISON, ALDO MARINE, THE REASON THEY DON'T LIKE ME, MEANING
25 HIM, MY SON, IS BECAUSE I'M NOT ONE OF YOUR MINIONS IN THE



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1 SCHEME AGAINST MY MOTHER. I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THAT WORD MEANT
2 BUT APPARENTLY IT FIT, SO I LOOKED IT UP IN THE DICTIONARY.
3 FURTHERMORE, SPEAKING OF ALDO MARINE, HE LIED TO US. HE SAID
4 MY CHILDREN WERE TESTED FOR CAT ALLERGIES. THAT'S NOT TRUE.
5 AND I DON'T CARE WHETHER HE WAS LIED TO AND SIMPLY REFERRED TO
6 ME FALSE INFORMATION, I'M NOT SHERLOCK HOLMES. HE SHOULD KNOW
7 BEFORE HE MAKES A STATEMENT TO ME WHICH MADE ME SO HAPPY TO
8 THINK THAT MY CHILDREN WERE ACTUALLY TESTED FINALLY, THAT IT'S
9 FALSE. IN FACT, MY COURT-APPOINTED APPELLATE ATTORNEY EVEN
10 WROTE IN HER BRIEF THAT THESE CHILDREN, DESPITE SEVERAL COURT
11 ORDERS, HAVE YET TO BE TESTED FOR CAT ALLERGIES. THEY LIVE
12 WITH 10 CATS, ARE ALLERGIC AND IN THE MEANTIME, MY SON IS
13 STARVING. THIS IS HOW TINY HE IS. THIS IS HOW CUTE HE WAS WHEN
14 HE WAS WITH ME. AND THIS IS HOW HE LOOKS, TEENY TINY. YOU
15 SHOULD SEE HIS LEGS. I SHOWED YOU THAT IN PREVIOUS TIMES. AND
16 NOBODY CARES. AND LET'S NOT EVEN TALK ABOUT MY RELIGIOUS
17 RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BECAUSE IT DOESN'T INTEREST YOU, RIGHT?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC COMMENT
20 PORTION OF OUR MEETING TODAY. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

21

22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
23 REQUIREMENTS -- (OFF MIC COMMENTS).

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AND I'VE ASKED THE WOMEN
2 WHO HAVE THE TRANSLATION EQUIPMENT SO THEY GET A CLEAR
3 UNDERSTANDING. YOU CAN DO IT FROM THERE. ON THE SITUATION.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DR. GALLEY AT THE REQUEST OF
6 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. MY ASSUMPTION IS THIS IS A VERY BRIEF
7 REPORT, IS IT NOT?

8

9 **CHRISTINA GALLEY:** YES, IT CAN BE. CHRISTINA GALLEY, I'M THE
10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AT THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 HEALTH SERVICES AND ALSO CURRENTLY THE INTERIM C.E.O AT
12 L.A.C.+U.S.C. THE SITUATION AS DESCRIBED BY THE INDIVIDUALS
13 HERE FROM THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD DO CORRECTLY REFLECT
14 THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS INTENDING TO
15 SELL THE BUILDING THAT'S REFERRED TO AS THE H.R.A. BUILDING
16 WHERE THEIR CLINIC HAS BEEN LOCATED FOR APPROXIMATELY THE LAST
17 16 YEARS. THE SALE OF THE BUILDING IS PENDING. I DON'T KNOW
18 THE STATUS OF THE CURRENT BUYER, WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A
19 BUYER, BUT THE UNIVERSITY DOES PLAN TO SELL THE BUILDING; AND
20 AS A RESULT, THE CLINIC WILL NEED TO BE RELOCATED.

21 L.A.C.+U.S.C. IS ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE CLINICAL AND PATIENT
22 CARE SERVICES ON THE GROUNDS OF L.A.C.+U.S.C. AND HAS OFFERED
23 TWO POTENTIAL OPTIONS FOR THOSE SERVICES, ONE WITHIN THE RAND
24 SCHRADER BUILDING AND THE SECOND WITHIN THE FIFTH FLOOR OF THE
25 O.P.D. BUILDING. THERE ARE CERTAINLY ADVANTAGES AND



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1 DISADVANTAGES OF BOTH SPACE BUT WE THINK THEY PROVIDE MORE
2 THAN ADEQUATE SPACE, WHICH WOULD VERY WELL HOUSE THE M.C.A.
3 CLINIC SERVICES. AND WE VERY INTENTLY LOOK FORWARD TO
4 CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THEM TO WORK OUT THE BEST SOLUTION AND
5 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE, WHICH WE DO, TO MAKE
6 SURE THAT THE CLINIC IS EFFECTIVELY TRANSITIONED BY THE
7 UNIVERSITY'S DEADLINE OF JUNE 30, 2013.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** (OFF MIC COMMENT).

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11 **CHRISTINA GALLEY:** YES. THE CONCERNS RAISED BY THE COMMUNITY
12 ADVISORY BOARD WITH REGARD TO RAND SCHRADER AND THE STIGMA OF
13 THE RAND SCHRADER BUILDING, I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT
14 THOSE ISSUES, AND THAT'S THE REASON WHY THERE WAS AN
15 ALTERNATIVE OPTION PUT FORWARD OF HOUSING THE CLINIC AS AN
16 ALTERNATIVE ON THE FIFTH FLOOR OF THE O.P.D. BUILDING.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN I ALSO ADD, MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE'S A COUPLE OF
19 ALLEGATIONS, CERTAINLY THAT ONE OF THE THINGS AS FAR AS
20 SEPARATING RESEARCH FROM CLINIC CARE, THAT THAT IS GOING TO
21 JEOPARDIZE GRANTS. AND DR. GALLEY IS ASSURING US THAT'S NOT
22 GOING TO BE THE CASE AT ALL. WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMMODATE THIS.
23 IT ALL CAME UPON US. IT WASN'T OUR DETERMINATION. IT WAS A
24 PRIVATE -- U.S.C. PRIVATELY HAS DECIDED TO SELL THIS. AND SO
25 WHAT I WANT TO ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO DO IS START



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1 PREPARING FOR THE TRANSFER. THERE ISN'T ANYTHING THAT WE COULD
2 DO. WE'D LIKE TO. BUT UNTIL U.S.C. MAKES A DETERMINATION
3 OTHERWISE, THEY'RE BASICALLY ASKING US TO MOVE. SO WE'RE GOING
4 TO ACCOMMODATE THEM WITHIN THE SAME AREA AS BEST WE CAN. BUT
5 FOR THE MOST PART, THERE ISN'T ANYTHING OTHER -- THIS BOARD
6 CANNOT ASK U.S.C. TO HOLD OFF FOR ANOTHER 12 MONTHS BECAUSE AS
7 A TENANT WE'D LIKE TO STAY THERE A LITTLE BIT MORE. IF IT WERE
8 POSSIBLE WE'D TRY AND ASK IT BUT I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE
9 CASE. SO IN THE SITUATION NOW IS WE'RE ASKING THAT EVERYBODY
10 BE PREPARED TO MOVE. THAT'S THE ONLY OPTION THAT WE HAVE
11 AVAILABLE. WE WILL ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF GRANTS AND THE
12 CONTINUATION OF SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. THAT
15 CLOSES THE HEARING, FINALLY. AND IT IS AT THIS POINT IN TIME
16 THAT WE MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION, CORRECT?

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** CORRECT.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
23 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
25 CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING



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1 LITIGATION AND ITEM NO. CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
2 WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE
3 POSTED AGENDA. IN ADDITION, THE BOARD MADE A FINDING OF
4 URGENCY IN THE NEED TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH
5 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE,
6 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9. THANK YOU.

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